History of the Department

Founded in 1956 when Professor Victor Lange came from Cornell University and split off an independent entity from a Department of Modern Languages, the German Department has been home to a long line of distinguished scholars in all fields of German studies.

Long considered a leading program for the training of Germanists, the department has, in the last two decades, expanded its focus on literature, literary theory, and philosophy by adding significant faculty strength in media studies, performance studies and visual arts.

Requirements for the German Major

Prerequisites: Satisfactory working knowledge of German demonstrated by the completion of 107, an SAT II Subject Test score of 740, or a 5 on the Advanced Placement Test.

Requirements: A minimum of eight departmental courses, the Junior Seminar, Junior Paper, and Senior Thesis. The courses accepted as departmentals will vary according to the area of concentration chosen by the student. Courses in related humanities departments that are intended to serve as cognate courses towards the major must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Programs for Majors

The department offers six areas of concentration, each requiring a total of nine departmental courses to include GER 300 and eight additional courses as specialized below:

1. **German Literature.** This program focuses on the major periods and forms of German literature with emphasis on literary and historical analysis. Students will take a minimum of five courses in the department (at least three of which should be 300-level courses) and a maximum of three cognate courses in related humanities departments and other disciplines such as philosophy and religion.

2. **German Philosophy and Intellectual History.** This track concentrates on philosophy, political and cultural theory, and particular intellectual movements and epochs in German-speaking contexts. Students in this track are required to take a minimum of five courses in the German department (at least three of which should be 300-level courses) and a maximum of three relevant cognate courses in other disciplines such as history, European cultural studies, or philosophy.

3. **Media and Aesthetics.** This plan of study is designed for students who wish to focus on art, film, dance, music and sound, performance, digital culture and media theory broadly conceived. Students take a minimum of five courses in the German department (at least three of which should be 300-level courses) and a maximum of three relevant cognate courses in other disciplines such as art and archaeology, music, philosophy, European cultural studies, and the Program in Visual Arts.

4. **Germanic Linguistics.** This program concentrates on the history and structure of the German language. Majors who select this track are required to take the following courses: LIN 201 Introduction to Language and Linguistics, LIN 210 Intro to Historical and Comparative Linguistics, GER 316 Second Language Acquisition: Theory and Practice, GER 508 Middle High German Literature. In addition, students in this concentration will take minimum to two courses in German Literature & Culture plus two cognate courses pertaining to linguistics.
5. **The Study of Two Literatures.** This plan of study normally consists of five upper-level courses in the German department (at least three of which should be 300-level courses), and three upper-level courses in a second literature. Students who have not completed the language preparation for the second literature may enroll in this program provided that they satisfy that language requirement during their junior year.

6. **Joint Program in German Culture and Politics.** In cooperation with the Department of Politics, students may combine a concentration in German intellectual history with a concentration in German/European politics and/or political theory. In this program, four courses will be taken in the German department (at least two of which should be 300-level courses) and four cognate courses in German/European politics or political theory will be taken in the Department of Politics (at least two of which should be 300-level courses). Recommended departmental courses are GER 207, 208, 211, 306, 307, 309, and 324. Recommended cognates in Politics include POL 210, 230, 240, 301, 303, 313, 316, 349, 385, and 388. The senior thesis may focus on any political topic with a substantive German-related component. Upon graduation, a letter will be issued by the German department certifying completion of a program in German cultural studies with a concentration in Politics.

**Language Requirements**
For tracks 1 to 5, at least three, and for track 6, at least two of the departmentals should be courses taught in German. For tracks 1 to 5, one of these three may be a course taught in English for which there is an appropriate German-language component. This option is available for all courses taught in the German Department, but also for some courses in other departments. Students should consult with the course instructor regarding the German-language component at the beginning of the semester, and submit the agreed-upon plan to the German Director of Undergraduate Studies for approval by the end of the second week of classes.

For more information, contact the Director of Undergraduate Studies: Professor Thomas Y. Levin, tylevin@princeton.edu, 8-1384.

**Early Concentration**
Qualified students may already begin departmental work in their freshman or sophomore year under the following plan:

- Recommended introductory courses: 207, 208, 209, 210, or 211;
- Independent work beginning in the second sophomore term;
- Meetings with the departmental adviser for individual discussion of student’s independent work.

This plan permits students to devote themselves to their major interest before their junior year. They can advance when ready and as swiftly as possible. An early start gives them a wider choice of courses and seminars in their senior year and enables them to start work on their senior thesis before their final year at Princeton.
Certificate in German Language and Culture

The Department of German offers students an opportunity to do sustained work in German language, literature, philosophy, art, and media while majoring in another department, leading to a Certificate in German Language and Culture.

Program Requirements. The program is open to undergraduates in all departments. Students should consult the Director of Undergraduate Studies as early as possible—ideally by the middle of the sophomore year—to plan a program of study.

The requirements for work done in the Department of German are:

1. Four courses at the 200-level or higher, at least two of which must be at the 300-level or higher. All courses must be taken for a grade (not PDF).
2. Evidence of substantial upper-level coursework in German. This requirement will be satisfied if two of the four courses taken for the certificate were conducted in German.
3. A choice of three possibilities: (1) A substantial paper (20 pages if in English, 12-15 pages if in German) involving original research. The paper may be an expanded and significantly revised version of a paper written for one of the four courses taken to fulfill the certificate. (2) At least one senior thesis chapter principally devoted to a German-related topic. (3) An additional 300-level class taught in German.

Certificate paper is due, Thursday, May 3, 2022

Study Abroad

Students are strongly encouraged to spend some time in a German-speaking country. The department offers a number of opportunities for students who wish to spend time in Germany in order to gain fluency in the German language, to pursue further study, and to participate in German life. These include the Princeton-in-Munich summer program, the Berlin Consortium for German Studies (Princeton’s own study-abroad program), and the department’s Summer Work Program.

Princeton-in-Munich

Interested in completing the entire four-semester language sequence in just one calendar year? In studying abroad? In getting to know one of Europe’s most beautiful cities? Princeton-in-Munich, the Department’s summer program in Munich, Germany, offers three courses every June: German 105G (third semester), German 107G (fourth semester), and German 310G, an upper-level seminar taught in German (topics change year to year). These courses combine intensive instruction at the Goethe Institute with seminars on literature and culture and excursions led by Princeton Faculty.

Requirements for Princeton-in-Munich:

- If you’re new to German, enroll in German 101 in the fall; if you then take 102 in the spring, you can apply for admission to 105G in Munich.
If your performance in 101 makes you eligible to take the interim intermediate course 1025 in the spring, you are automatically admitted to 107G, enabling you to complete your four-semester language requirement in one calendar year.

If you have taken either GER 107 or a 200—or 300—level course taught in German, you can apply for GER 310G; a brief letter of recommendation from an instructor is required.

The German Department is able to offer these programs at a remarkably low price. In June 2019, the fee was $2,900 and covered all instructional costs and housing in Munich. Students are eligible to receive a $1,000 travel subsidy for airfare. Financial aid is also available from the Office of International Programs for students receiving assistance during the year.

**Berlin Study Abroad Program**

Through the Berlin Consortium for German Studies, of which Princeton University is a member, Princeton undergraduates are eligible to spend either one semester or an entire academic year studying at the Freie Universität Berlin for a full Princeton academic credit. Students will pay normal Princeton tuition, and those on financial aid will continue to receive aid during their study abroad. German Department majors wishing to enroll in this or any other foreign study program may do so, provided they present an acceptable plan of study that includes fulfillment of the departmental requirements for independent work. Their application must also be approved by the Committee on Examinations and Standing. Early consultation with the Director of Undergraduate Studies is strongly encouraged.

Applications for the Berlin program are due in early November for the spring term and in early March for the following academic year. For additional information contact Professor Adam Oberlin (aoberlin@) in 208 East Pyne at 8-8424 or Gisella Gisolo, Director, Study Abroad Program (ggisolo@) at 8-1010. See also the Study Abroad website: [www.princeton.edu/~sap/](http://www.princeton.edu/~sap/) and the Berlin Consortium website [https://ogp.columbia.edu/program/bcgs](https://ogp.columbia.edu/program/bcgs). Gisella Gisolo and Professor Oberlin will hold an informational meeting for interested students early in the fall semester.

**Summer Work Program (SWP)**

For over 60 years, the German Department’s Summer Work Program (SWP) has opened up academic and professional opportunities for countless Princeton undergraduates. The SWP arranges internships in a wide range of fields: Arts and Culture, Business and Finance, STEM, Computer Science, Government, Policy, Law, and Medicine. Students have interned at the Bundestag, UNESCO World Heritage sites, Max Planck Institutes, and major corporations. They work at art galleries and hospitals, conduct research in fields ranging from neuroscience to migration studies, and support refugees. Students also have rewarding experiences in interdisciplinary projects.

The SWP is committed to working with each student individually. An integral part of the German Department, the program provides detailed guidance on writing German resumes, cover letters, and professional emails. Students are matched with internships based on their language proficiencies, academic and professional aspirations,
extracurricular interests, and specific skills. Some of our most popular internships were initially established for a particular student with a unique set of qualifications and goals.

Organizing these opportunities is a truly collaborative effort. The SWP works in conjunction with the Princeton Alumni Association of Germany, partners at host organizations, and colleagues at German Universities. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we provide financial support to students whose internships are unpaid.

An Information Session is held early in the Fall Semester. German majors and students with a high level of German proficiency are more likely to be qualified for certain positions. However, German proficiency is not required and students from all academic fields are encouraged to apply.

For the most up-to-date information about the application process, eligibility, and internship offerings, please visit the SWP Website.
Images of Princeton in Munich
# Junior Calendar

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Junior Papers/Senior Theses Guidelines

Independent reading, the junior year seminar, the junior year essay, and the senior thesis constitute the student’s total independent work, which is spread out over the four upper-class terms. These elements can be profitably linked with departmental courses. Students will consult with the Director of Undergraduate Studies, under whose guidance they will develop their own program. During the first term of the junior year, students are required to take the Junior Seminar GER300 which serves as an intensive workshop of research and writing skills, an introduction to a wide range of approaches and methods, and an incubator for the Spring Term JP, an essay of approximately 5,000 words on a subject in German philosophy, art, media, linguistics, literature or politics. This essay, as well as the senior thesis may be written in German or English. Early in May of the junior year, students should discuss plans for their senior thesis with the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

**Junior Paper:** During the spring term of the junior year, students are required to write an original, thoroughly-researched and carefully constructed essay of approximately 5,000 words on a subject in German culture, literature, media or politics broadly conceived. Citations should be made according to the most recent edition of the MLA Style Manual; either parenthetical or footnote citations are acceptable. The manual has rules for both. Whatever format is chosen, students must also provide a list of Works Cited. Students should also keep in mind that a significant percentage of the literature consulted should be in German (what “significant” means is left up to the discretion of the adviser—students should make sure they discuss this). Students should be prepared to meet regularly with the adviser (weekly is best) to discuss their work on the project (abstract, outline, progressive drafts). The timeline for submitting drafts should be established by the adviser early in the semester. Students who will be studying abroad in Berlin for the full academic year must submit an extension request (if needed) via email to Gisella Gisolo (Director, Study Abroad Program). The request must contain a proposed due date; copies of all correspondence (including email received from Gisella Gisolo) should be sent to the Director of Undergraduate Studies. On the JP due date, students should submit an electronic copy (in PDF format) of the paper to their JP advisor and Lynn Ratsep. **Students should take careful note that the most successful independent papers are those for which drafts were submitted early enough for the adviser to give timely feedback.**

**Senior Thesis:** Early in May of the junior year, students should discuss plans for their senior thesis with their adviser and are strongly encouraged to submit a general topic to the Director of Undergraduate Studies before the end of the semester. Documentation should follow the most recent guidelines of the Modern Language Association; footnotes and parenthetical styles are both acceptable. In either case, the thesis should include a bibliography of Works Cited. Try to consolidate footnotes and parentheses for ease of reading (the MLA Handbook has advice on this issue). For more information, consult the MLA Handbook or the organization’s website at [www.mla.org](http://www.mla.org).
Below are the regulations for the formatting and submission of the thesis:

**Fonts:** Senior theses must be single-sided and double-spaced, printed in a 10- or 12-point font. The font should be a legible serif font (Times New Roman, Garamond, or similar), and the document should use only one style of font.

**Margins:** The margins should be 1 ½” on the left-hand side and 1” on the other three sides.

**Order of parts:** The thesis should start with the title page. Other front matter (all of which is optional, though tables of contents are generally quite helpful for the readers) should appear in the following order: abstract, dedication, epigraph, table of contents, list of illustrations, preface, and acknowledgements. After that comes the introduction and then the chapters. The order of elements at the end of the thesis is as follows (other than the bibliography, all such elements are optional): appendices, endnotes, glossary, bibliography.

**Title page:** The title-page must include the title of the thesis, the author’s name and class, the date on which the thesis is due, the name of the primary adviser, and the following inscription: “A Senior Thesis submitted to the Department of German in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Princeton University.” The order should be as above but the layout of the page is optional (centered or not, caps or not), so long as it is clear.

**Final page:** The final page of the thesis must include the following text—“This paper represents my own work in accordance with University regulations.”—followed by the author’s signature.

**Submission:** Students must submit, on or before the deadline date, a pdf file of their thesis to their adviser, Director of Undergraduate Studies, and Lynn Ratsep.

Students should make every effort to meet the deadlines for drafts set by the Director of Undergraduate Studies, keeping in mind that the most successful papers are those for which advisers are able to give feedback.

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Thesis Title

by

Rainer Werner Fassbinder

Class of 2022

Advisor: [Advisor’s name]

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Academic Pledge
As a Princeton student, you are expected to type the following sentence and sign your name on each piece of work you submit, including your Junior Paper and Senior Thesis: “This paper represents my own work in accordance with University regulations.” In order to sign such a statement, you must understand those regulations. Therefore, it is crucial that you read and absorb the information contained in the Academic Integrity section of the Princeton website at: https://pr.princeton.edu/pub/integrity/pages/intro/index.html.

Penalties for Late Work
Junior papers will be docked 1/3 of a grade for every two unexcused days beyond the departmental deadline. Late submission of the senior thesis will result in a penalty of 1/3 of a grade for every three unexcused days beyond the departmental deadline. All extensions (excused late days) must be approved by the dean of the student’s residential college.

Departmental Exam
The departmental examination is an oral examination based on the thesis. Students may also be asked to relate their thesis to their coursework. The examiners will be the thesis adviser and the second reader, usually another professor from the German Department. Approximately 15-20 minutes of this hour-long exam will be conducted in German. More specific information, such as time and logistics, will be announced by the department following submission of the theses.

Honors
Students receive a separate grade for the thesis and for the departmental examination. Honors are calculated with a formula that includes both thesis grades (whereby the thesis grade is weighted more heavily than the departmental exam grade) and the grades for departmental courses including cognates.

Prizes
Book Prizes- Outstanding students in courses and seminars in the Department of German will be recognized at an annual award ceremony where they will receive a certificate from the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany and a book from the Department. Students are nominated to the Director of Undergraduate Studies by their professors and instructors.

Victor Lange Senior Thesis Prize- Awarded to the senior with the best thesis, this prize was named in honor of Victor Lange, a Professor of Modern Languages, who taught at Princeton for 20 years until his retirement in 1977. Born in Leipzig, where he earned his Ph.D. in 1934, Lange also taught at the University of Toronto and at Cornell and wrote extensively on 18th-century German literature and literary criticism. In 1959 he founded the Department of German Languages and Literatures at Princeton.
Mary Cunningham Humphreys Junior German Prizes- Thanks to an endowment established by the late Professor Willard Humphreys, in memory of his mother, Mary Cunningham Humphreys, two prizes will be awarded to the two juniors with the highest academic record for their work as majors in the Department of German.

Students Contemplating Graduate Work
Departmental students who intend to pursue graduate studies in German are reminded that most graduate schools require a reading knowledge of a second modern foreign language. Students are therefore advised to prepare themselves as undergraduates to meet these requirements and should also consider applying for postgraduate fellowships (DAAD, Fulbright) during their senior year. Interested students should speak to Asst. Professor Johannes Wankhammer who is the Princeton University Undergraduate DAAD Fellowship adviser.

Research and Study Abroad Funding
Funding is available to students from the Department of German to conduct research related to their independent work, as well as for other approved projects. Students should apply to take advantage of all funding opportunities through the SAFE website. Consult the Director of Undergraduate Studies for more information.

- Declared departmental majors are eligible to apply for funding.
- Funding is for research purposes and, in general, not available to support language learning. Students who wish to travel to Europe to improve their knowledge of the German language are strongly encouraged to participate in the Princeton in Munich program and/or the Summer Work Program, both of which provide financial support.
- Funding will be granted through SAFE only after consultation with the Director of Undergraduate Studies. Students must articulate a bona fide research need to the Director of Undergraduate Studies and then present the case, along with a clearly delineated budget, in the SAFE application. Requests made without consultation will not be considered.
- Students are eligible to apply for up to $1,500 for Junior Paper research. Because students will enroll in the Junior Seminar during the fall semester, students will typically only be allowed to apply for research funding support one time during their junior year.
- Students are eligible to apply for up to $2,500 for Senior Thesis research. This research trip may be taken the summer before senior year or in the course of the fall semester.
- Students are strongly encouraged to apply to other funding resources across the University.
- These amounts represent the maximum sums that will be granted, not a guaranteed amount. In consultation with the Departmental Chair and Manager, the Director of Undergraduate Studies will approve undergraduate research funds.
Regulation for German Language Classes
As Rights, Rules, Responsibilities makes clear, the work you submit in any class must be your own. In a language class, this means that the common practice of asking someone to look over your work and the use of online grammar and translation tools are not permitted. When assignments involve exceptions to this rule, instructors will provide guidelines to be followed. On all take-home assignments, including exams and essays, you may use online tools to look up single words or phrases, but not to compose entire sentences or paragraphs. It is precisely your competency in spoken and written German that is being evaluated. During in-class tests, quizzes, or exams the use of electronic devices (e.g. smartphones, tablets) is strictly prohibited. Such devices must be kept off your desk and out of view.

Evidence of any attempt to gain an unfair advantage on graded assignments will result in submission of the case to the Honor Committee (for in-class tests, quizzes, exams) or the Committee on Discipline (for other graded assignments). No one, your instructor included, wants this to happen. If you are unsure of what is and is not permitted, please consult your instructor and follow the instructor’s guidelines rigorously.

Postgraduate Fellowships
DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst Scholarship
www.daad.org And
https://oip.princeton.edu/our-programs/fellowship-advising/search-fellowships/daad-graduate-study-scholarship

Deadline: TBA
Fields of Study: Open, but some fields have a German language requirement
Adviser: Professor Barbara Nagel, bnagel@, 8-4144

Fulbright Grant:
https://oip.princeton.edu/our-programs/fellowship-advising/search-fellowships/fulbright-us-student-program
Deadline: October 12, 2021 by 5:00 pm EST
Fields of Study: Open; graduate study at a foreign university

Postgraduate Awards: For further information please see: https://oip.princeton.edu/our-programs/fellowship-advising
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Film
A collection of both well-known and rare films and documentaries on DVD and VHS can be found in the Firestone Video Library [B-H-15]: further information can be found at https://library.princeton.edu/videoservices/video. A significant collection of high-quality transfers of important films is available for streaming at http://princeton.kanopy.com/.

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