German Major and Foreign Language Education Major Requirements
Catalog Year: 2014-15
Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Credit Hours: 60+ (German 30+; Foreign Language Education Major 30)

“PR” indicates a pre-requisite. “CO” indicates a co-requisite.

Courses within this major may also satisfy general education requirements. Please consult http://registrar.cofc.edu/general-edu for more information.

German Teacher Education Program (Grades PK-12)

Students interested in teacher certification in foreign language must complete both the German major and the foreign language education major requirements.

After declaration of a major in German, students interested in teacher certification in foreign language must meet with the director of certification and clinical practice, School of Education, Health, and Human Performance, 843-953-5613. Students must take EDFS 201 during their sophomore year and apply for acceptance into this program no later than the second semester of their sophomore year. In addition to meeting with an assigned advisor in German, candidates in all languages must meet with Dr. Shawn Morrison, 404 J.C. Long Building, morrisonsh@cofc.edu, for additional information as soon as possible. Requirements include:

- admission to and successful completion of the approved Teacher Education Program
- passing score on PRAXIS II World Language Test in German
- passing score on the Praxis II Principles of Teaching and Learning Test
- a rating of Advanced Low in German on the official OPI test
- and the successful completion of the content major in German, with its specific course requirements and GPA requirements (see below).

In order to be admitted to the Clinical Internship (EDFS 460), candidates must have met the following requirements:

- Completion of all German course requirements for the German major in Education.
- 2.50 GPA in German courses
- 3.00 GPA in EDFS courses
- 2.60 overall GPA

When declaring teacher certification in German though the Program of Study Management System (POSM), students must first select “Declare or Add a Major” and then “Secondary Education Cognate” from the major list. Once this selection is made, a second menu box will appear with a list of the associated majors. Select the German major and follow the on-screen instructions.

Required Courses

- GRMN 313 German Conversation (3) PR: GRMN 202 or 250 or placement
- GRMN 314 German Composition and Grammar (3) PR: GRMN 202 or 250 or placement

Note: Native speakers or students who have already achieved a high level of oral proficiency (to be determined by an oral interview with the instructor) will not be given credit for this course(s). Another course(s) will be required at or above the 300-level to fulfill the degree requirement with the approval of the German Studies Director.

Select 18 credit hours from GRMN 300-level or higher:

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GRMN 315  Advanced German Reading (3) PR: GRMN 202, 250, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 320  Special Assignment Abroad (3) PR: GRMN 202, 250, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 325  German Contemporary Issues (3) PR: GRMN 202, 250, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 326  German Media (3) PR: GRMN 202, 250, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 328  German Language Study Abroad (3) PR: GRMN 202, 250, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 329  Current Issues in Germany or the German-Speaking World (3) PR: GRMN 202, 250, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 330  Collateral Study (1-3) PR: GRMN 202, 250, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 331  German for Business (3) PR: One 300-level class, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 332  German in International Business (3) PR: One 300-level class, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 341  Advanced Grammar and Syntax (3) PR: One 300-level class, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 365  Introduction to Literature (3) PR: One 300-level class, placement or instructor permission
GRMN 390  Special Topics in German (3) PR: One 300-level class, placement or instructor permission

Select one 400-level course from the following:

GRMN 413  Advanced German Conversation (3) PR: One 300-level course or instructor permission
GRMN 424  German Civilization and Culture (3) PR: One 300-level course or instructor permission
GRMN 460  German literary Heritage (3) PR: Two 300-level courses or instructor permission
GRMN 468  Studies in Modern German Literature (3) PR: One 300-level course or instructor permission
GRMN 472  Studies in German Cinema (3) PR: One 300-level course or instructor permission
GRMN 490  Special Topics in German (3) PR: One 300-level course or instructor permission
GRMN 496  Directed Reading (1-3) PR: Instructor permission
GRMN 498  Independent Study (1-3) PR: One 300-level course or instructor permission
HONS 499  Bachelor’s Essay (in German) (6) PR: One 300-level class or instructor permission

Notes:

- At least 15 credit hours in the major at the 200-level or above must be earned at the College of Charleston.
- Majors in German are required to take a proficiency exam during their last year prior to graduation. Information about the nature of the exam and the schedule for each semester is available in the department and on its website.

Foreign Language Education Major Requirements

“PR” indicates a pre-requisite. “CO” indicates a co-requisite.

Students interested in teacher certification in foreign language education (PK-12) must complete a content language education cognate major in a foreign language along with the foreign language education major requirements. This is available to students who major in Classics (for Latin certification), French and Francophone Studies, German, and Spanish.

Required Courses

COMM 104  Public Speaking (3) PR: None
EDFS 201* Foundations of Education (3) PR: Sophomore standing

Note: *EDFS 201 is prerequisite to all other education courses with a grade of C or better.

EDFS 303* Human Growth and the Educational Process (3) PR: EDFS 201

EDFS 326* Integrating Technology into Teaching (3) PR: EDFS 201

EDFS 330* Classroom and Behavior Management (3) PR: EDFS 201 and junior status or above

EDFS 456 Teaching Strategies in the Content Areas (3) PR: EDFS 201

Note: *Candidates who have received credit for PSYC 224 (previously listed as PSYC 311) prior to beginning a teacher education program should not take EDFS 303 (credit will not be awarded). Students must enroll in the Secondary sections for each of the courses marked with an asterisk. (See associate department chair to register for courses.) Each course requires a school-based field experience. Students will need a 3-hour block of time per week between the hours of 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday to complete each school-based experience.

Clinical Practice Internship Requirement

Note: Candidates must complete all education requirements and all requirements for their language education cognate major prior to beginning the internship. See the requirements for each language education cognate major.

EDFS 460* Clinical Practice in the Content Area (12) PR: Admission to a teacher education program and completion of all education requirements. This course is graded pass-fail. A grade of “P” carries only earned hours. It does not carry quality hours or quality points.

Note: *Students seeking recommendation for South Carolina certification in Foreign Language Education must complete the program of study above and meet the admission, retention, and exit requirements of the program and the School of Education, Health, and Human Performance. Recommendation to the South Carolina Department of Education for certification in South Carolina is contingent upon successful completion of Clinical Practice and achievement of passing scores on the necessary Praxis II test(s) and the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) for recommendation.