

GERMAN PROGRAM STUDY ABROAD / TRANSFER APPROVAL GUIDELINES

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1) Elementary-Level Language Courses/FOLA (+1):

a) Elementary-Language Sequence Requirement (12 credits): The German program accepts elementary German classes taken abroad or at another accredited institution as electives. Students who wish to apply these credits toward DU's FOLA requirement must take our placement test - regardless of the number of credits or levels of German taken abroad or at another institution. If students place beyond GERM 1003, they have completed the FOLA requirement. If not, the credits will transfer as electives. We do accept partial placement (i.e., into GERM 1002 or GERM 1003).

b) +1 Requirement: Credits from German classes taken abroad or at another accredited institution beyond the elementary level can not be applied to fulfill the FOLA +1 requirement.

2) Intermediate-Level Language Courses:

The German program, in general, accepts all intermediate-level languages courses in which students place abroad or at another accredited institution, even if students already completed intermediate-level classes at DU (GERM 2001, GERM 2002, and/or GERM 2003).

3) 2000-Level Content-Based Courses:

The German program, in general, accepts all German-taught courses on German cultures (linguistics, literature, film, art, music, history, etc.) above the intermediate level (beyond GERM 2003) toward its major and minor. These credits are considered "electives" of the major or minor, and the courses will transfer as 2000-level seminars. If students wish to apply these credits from abroad or from another accredited institution, they must meet with the appropriate German faculty (either in person prior to study abroad or virtually, once abroad) for approval in order to avoid or limit redundancy in course selections.

4) 3000-Level Content-Based Courses:

The German program, in general, accepts all advanced German-taught courses on German cultures (linguistics, literature, film, art, music, history, etc.) as 3000-level seminars toward its major and minor if the students already completed at least two 2000-level courses (beyond GERM 2003) at DU, abroad, or at another accredited institution. Students should complete both of the required two 3000-level courses on DU's campus in order to earn the GERM major, regardless of the final number of credits earned abroad or at another accredited institution.

5) GERM 1416 equivalent (required AI-SC course for minor and major students):

If (German major or minor) students wish to count a course taken abroad or at another institution as equivalent to the required GERM 1416 course, they *must select a course nearly identical to the current GERM 1416 syllabus* (re: course objectives and expectations, content, quality of assignments; for the course description, see current University Bulletin) and meet with the appropriate German faculty (either in person prior to study abroad or virtually, once in Germany/Austria) for approval.

6) Courses on German Cultures Taught in English

The German program accepts one course (up to 4 credits) on German cultures taught in English toward the major. This can be fulfilled abroad or at another accredited institution. 'Culture' includes literature, linguistics, film, gender studies, history, art, or music. If students wish to earn these four credits from abroad, they must meet with the appropriate German faculty (either in person prior to study abroad or virtually, once in Germany/Austria) for approval.