WESTERN UNIVERSITY  
Department of Modern Languages & Literatures  

GERMAN 2200 - INTERMEDIATE  

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M/W 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm  
Talbot College 201  
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Practice speaking, reading and writing German in a small class setting. Explore cultural topics through authentic readings, short films, songs, interviews and biographies, and learn about life in the German-speaking countries. 

**Course Content and Aims:** 

German 2200 is an intermediate-level course for students with German 1030, Grade 12U German or equivalent qualifications, or the permission of the department. 

Students will get plenty of practice speaking, reading and writing German while exploring many aspects of German culture, using authentic materials such as newspaper articles, short films, websites, literature, and songs. The course also includes a comprehensive grammar review and prepares students to master more complex texts and discourse situations. 

**FORMAT:** 4 compulsory classroom hours per week. 

**REQUIRED TEXT** (available in one package at the Western bookstore): 

**MARK BREAKDOWN:**

- Tests: 50%  
- Assignments: 10%  
- Active participation in class: 10%  
- Oral presentation: 5%  
- Final Exam: 25%
Tests will be written during regular class time.

Assignments consist of any assigned sections from the Student Activities Manual. These will be submitted for assessment at the end of each unit. Assignments must be submitted by the due date or students will lose marks at the rate of 5% per day.

Active participation means attending every class and coming prepared. To get good participation marks you must prepare any assigned grammar and content exercises before class, do the readings, and review material from previous classes. You are expected to make an effort to speak German in both class contributions and group work.

Each student will give a short oral presentation in second term.

ANTIREQUISITE(S): None
PREREQUISITE(S): German 1030 or 1030w/x, or Grade 12U German, or permission of the Department.

If you are unsure whether this is the right course for you please contact the course instructor or the undergraduate chair. Students who have not completed the course prerequisite(s) but know enough German may be issued special permission to register.

The Academic Policies which govern the conduct, standards, and expectations for student participation in Modern Languages and Literatures courses are available in the Undergraduate section of the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures website at http://www.uwo.ca/modlang/undergraduate/policies.html.

It is your responsibility to understand the policies set out by the Senate and the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, and ignorance of these policies cannot be used as grounds of appeal.
Learning Outcomes:

It is expected that, upon completion of this course and all its requirements, students will be able to do the following:

- Pronounce German correctly to allow for smoother conversation
- Understand standard German as spoken in everyday situations
- Communicate using a variety of German expressions and idioms
- Express more complex ideas and emotions
- Write complex sentences and short compositions in German
- Understand more challenging reading passages in German
- Discuss a variety of concrete and abstract topics in German
- Use a significantly expanded German vocabulary
- Understand major differences and similarities between German-speaking countries and North America and apply this knowledge in everyday situations
- Have a general idea of the history and culture of the German-speaking countries