



Spring 2022-2023 SPRING

GER 110 – Basic German I

We may have to revise the course plan according to the reassessment to be made countrywide, regarding higher education, at the beginning of April. The content to be delivered is certain but the method of course delivery, the number and dates of exams, and some other details are subject to change.

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Type	Days	Where
Class (Online)	Thursday	online (ZOOM) https://sabanciuniv.zoom.us/j/8744260307?pwd=bmt4MjVqcytPVlF0M0tDOVJ1RnRnVjU09 Meeting ID: 874 426 0307 Passcode: 100550 and 8PwAe5
Class (Online)	Friday	online (ZOOM) https://sabanciuniv.zoom.us/j/8744260307?pwd=bmt4MjVqcytPVlF0M0tDOVJ1RnRnVjU09 Meeting ID: 874 426 0307 Passcode: 100550 and 8PwAe5

Course Objective:

This class is designed for students with no or very little previous knowledge of the German language and will develop basic communication skills in everyday situations such as introducing oneself and giving and understanding personal information about oneself, family and friends. Alongside the German language, students will get an insight into German culture e.g. such as a variety of German traditions, customs and culture specific behavior.

The approach is communicative, with German used wherever possible as the language of instruction.

The course leads up to Level A1.2 according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

When students leave this class, they should be able to:

- introduce themselves and someone else, talking about age, where they are from and their birthday
- to ask and answer questions such as where he/she lives, people he/she knows and things he/she has.
- describe their family / a third person in Singular or Plural
- learn when to use formal and informal registers of the language (du/ Sie)
- talk about what they and others like to do (free time activities)
- to talk about what they eat and order food in a restaurant
- give their opinion on matters of taste or style
- be able to understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases.
- be able to use basic grammatical constructions (e.g. word order, present tense, modal auxiliaries, cases, pronouns ...)
- can write a short and simple text e.g. a postcard from the holiday
- to compare and contrast the differences between German-speaking cultures and Turkish cultures.

Course Material / Resources:

- Coursebook & workbook:
"Schritte International Neu 1" - Band A1.1, Hueber Verlag
"Starten Wir - A1" - Kursbuch & Arbeitsbuch - Hueber Verlag -
- Power Point Presentation of each unit & worksheets

- The exams will be held on campus.
- Students who missed the exam, must submit a medical report to take a make-up exam. To get a makeup exam you should get a doctor to report from the Health Center at the University or if you are not on campus, a doctor's report from a public hospital. You should bring this report to the SU health center and get it approved.
- You must attend the synchronous Zoom lectures, recitations, etc. with your SU email account.
- The instructor may want to "double-check" students' performance by one-on-one interviews / go through the exam paper with some of the students. This online interview will be recorded by the instructor.
- There are no make-up chapter tests, or finals, and late homework will not be accepted.
- There is no extra credit.

Grading:

Quiz 1	10 %
Quiz 2	10 %
Midterm	25%
Final	35%
Online task/take home exam	5 %
Attendance, active participation	15%

Requirements/Criteria for assessment and evaluation:

This course is made up of 58 (12 weeks) lessons divided into 5 chapters. Each chapter corresponds with a themed chapter of the "Schritte International Neu 1 - Chapter 1-5.

- Two quizzes, one midterm and one final test will be given during the semester, covering vocabulary, grammar and readings and listenings from the course tests. 5 exams in total:

- **Percentage:**

Unit 6 + Unit 7	--> Quiz 1	10 %
Unit 8	--> Midterm	25 %
Unit 9	--> Quiz 2	10 %
Unit 6- Unit 10	--> Final	35 %
Unit 10	-->Take home exam	5%

Grading Scale:

90-100	A
85-89	A-
80-84	B+
75-79	B
70-74	B-
65-69	C+
60-64	C
55-59	C-
53-54	D+
50-52	D
0-49	F

Classroom policies and conduct:

- **Please always switch on your camera and microphone as soon as you are in the online section.**
- Students who are late more than 15 minutes are not admitted to the classroom / online section.
- Regular attendance and active participation are important components when learning a language. You are expected to participate actively in class, incl. in group and paired activities. Attendance will be taken at all meetings; the participation in class will be evaluated and will form part of the term grade.
- Make sure that your mobile phones are switched off during class time.
- All students should bring books and other necessary materials to class.
- Come prepared to make helpful comments and ask questions that facilitate your own understanding and that of your classmates. This requires that you complete the assigned readings for each session before class starts.
- Your teacher will speak as much German as possible. You should try to speak as much German as possible, from the beginning. Of course, you can ask your teacher's help in formulating thoughts, questions, etc. Your teacher may also set aside or signal brief periods during which Turkish/English is permissible.

Academic Honesty:

Learning is enhanced through cooperation and as such you are encouraged to work in groups, ask for and give help freely in all appropriate settings. At the same time, as a matter of personal integrity, you should only represent your own work as yours. Any work that is submitted to be evaluated in this class should be an original piece of writing, presenting your ideas in your own words. Everything you borrow from books, articles, or web sites (including those in the syllabus) should be properly cited. Although you are encouraged to discuss your ideas with others (including your friends in the class), it is important that you do not share your writing (slides, MS Excel files, reports, etc.) with anyone. Using ideas, text and other intellectual property developed by someone else while claiming it is your original work is *plagiarism*. Copying from others or providing answers or information, written or oral, to others is *cheating*. Unauthorized help from another person or having someone else write one's paper or assignment is *collusion*. Cheating, plagiarism and collusion are serious offenses that could result in an F grade and disciplinary action. Please pay utmost attention to avoid such accusations.

Course Schedule/Weekly topics:

Week 1	Date	2.3.2023 & 3.3.2023
	Topic:	Top Reasons to learn German About Germany Where is German spoken? Introducing oneself
Week 2	Date	9.3.2023 & 10.3.2023
	Topic:	Unit 1: Das bin ich! Introducing oneself Various ways of greeting. Learning how to address someone with du/Sie Personal Pronouns Verbs: heißen, kommen, sprechen, sein Preposition: in, aus
Week 3	Date	16.3.2023 & 17.3.2023
	Topic:	Unit 2 Vocabulary related to one's family. Conjugation of verbs: wohnen, leben, haben, sein Short texts about a third person
Week 4	Date	23.3.2023 & 24.3.2023
	Topic:	Unit 2: Meine Familie Learning to ask how someone is feeling. Learning the numbers 0-20 and how old is one. Personal pronouns Possessive article: mein/dein/Ihr/ sein/ihr
Week 5	Date	30.3.2023 & 31.3.2023
	Topic:	Unit 3: Essen und Trinken Learning new words pertaining to the topic of food and drink Vocabulary for a conversation at the market. Learning numbers 21-100, quantities, prices, weights and measures

Week 6	Date	6.4.2023 & 7.4.2023
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Topic: **Unit 3**
Preise und Mengenangaben, Lieblingsessen
Indefinite article
Conjugating the verbs: essen, trinken, haben, bezahlen. Writing a conversation at the market.

Week 7	Date	13.4.2023 & 14.3.2023	QUIZ 1
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Topic: **Unit 4: Meine Wohnung**
Definite articles
Adverbs: hier, dort
Adjectives: schön, hässlich, groß, klein, schmal, breit, hell, dunkel, billig, teuer
Negative using: nicht / kein
Conjugating the verb: gefallen
Rooms, furniture, text: Living as a student

Week 8	Date	27.4.2023 & 28.4.2023
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Topic: **Unit 4**
Learning vocabulary pertaining to describing one's house and the rooms.

Week 9	Date	4.5.2023 & 5.5.2023	Midterm (On Friday)
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Topic: **Unit 4**
Learning how to describe furniture and white goods in the house.
Learning how to say you like something or not.
Learning opposites using adjectives.
Learning numbers from 100-1.000.000

Week 10	Date	11.5.2023 & 12.5.2023	Quiz 2 (On Friday)
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Topic: **Unit 5: Mein Tag**
Daily routines
Prepositions: am, um, von...bis.
Describing own daily routine.
Writing a paragraph including time to describe a typical day.

Week 11 Date 17.5.2023

Topic: Unit 5

Week 12 Date 25.5.2023 & 26.5.2023

Topic: Unit 5

Week 12 Date:

FINAL EXAM
