

GERMAN MAJOR

Aligned with the proficiency levels of the
Common European Framework of Reference
for Languages ([CEFR](#)) A1-B2

Requirements

- 37 upper division credits
- 2.0 GPA required in major classes, S/U grades not accepted

Required Courses

- LING 201 (4)** | Introduction to Language, Linguistics and Power
- GER 311 (4)** |
- GER 312 (4)** | Third-Year German
- GER 313 (4)** |
- GER 411[^] (4)** | Fourth-Year German
- GER 412 (4)** | [^]Writing Intensive Course (WIC)
- GER 413 (4)** |

Elective Courses

9 credits (3 courses) of upper-division courses with a GER designator

Sample elective course topics:

- German for the professions
- Culture in German-speaking countries
- German pronunciation & phonetics
- Language and culture in context
- Translation
- German-language literature
- German-language cinema



▪ BA Language Requirement

First two years of language (GER 111 through GER 213 either taken or tested out with at least a C-) count as the BA Requirement for Language Majors.

▪ Academic Residency

A minimum of 45 credits must be completed at Oregon State.

▪ Study Abroad Opportunities in Germany

Degree-seeking students are eligible to participate in OSU's optional study abroad programs offered through the Office of Global Opportunities ([OSU GO](#)).

Language Proficiency Levels

- A1 Basic User: Breakthrough** (GER 111 – 113)
- A2 Basic User: Waystage** (GER 211 – 213)
- B1 Independent User: Threshold** (GER 311 – 313)
- B2 Independent User: Vantage** (GER 411 – 413)

German program at OSU offers the [Goethe Exams](#). Passing certificates are accepted by employers and higher education institutions across the German-speaking world. **Goethe-Institut examinations** correspond to the levels set out in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) and range from A1 for beginners to C2 for native-level speakers.