

German I Course Overview

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Course(s): **GERMAN I**
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Course Overview

This **German I** curriculum is designed to enable language learners to meet the Novice-Mid level of proficiency as defined by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) and the New Jersey World Language Student Learning Standards. It is designed to move students along the proficiency continuum from Novice-Low to Novice-Mid. Teachers use the ACTFL rubrics for proficiency assessment. Students will demonstrate, through multiple forms of assessments, their ability to communicate in the target language within the novice range in the interpretive, interpersonal and presentational modes of communication.

The Standard of World Languages, which addresses communication, culture, connections, comparisons and communities, is integrated into instruction. Each thematic unit addresses all modes of communication set forth by the NJ State Student Learning Standards for World Languages. The course also reinforces and contributes to the development of other standards in the areas of Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills, Computer Science and Design Thinking, Visual and Performing Arts, Language Arts Literacy, and Social Studies.

Modifications

Special education students

- Additional time
- Modified assignments
- Tutoring assistance and note takers in class
- Individualized learning pace
- Taking a class under a pass/fail condition
- Permission to write dictated questions before composing responses
- Permitting examinations to be read orally, dictated, or typed; alternative test formats

English language learners

- Use of home language on assessment instructions
- Use of relevant vocabulary and/or pictures
- Facilitate the use of student's target language through the use of language translator between teachers and students
- Heavy reliance on visual clues and body language

Students at risk of school failure

- Verbal encouragements
- Reducing the number of questions in a task
- Allow students to use alternative ways of completing a task (in writing, orally, visually)
- Pairing with a gifted or talented student
- Reduce stress factor with one-on-one meetings and making accommodations according to individual needs
- Regular and timely check-ins and correspondence to elicit support from counselor and family

Gifted and talented students

- Differentiated instruction
- Higher level contest
- Use of higher grammatical structures
- Pair with native speakers

Students with 504 plans

- Personalized modifications
- Follow 504 plan guidelines
- Breaks between tasks
- Have contingency plans
- Use de-escalating strategies
- Chart progress and maintain data

Materials and Resources

German Magazines

Bussi Bear

Dein Spiegel

[U-M Germanic Languages Department](#)

- A wealth of really good information and resources, brought together by Hartmut Rastalsky of the German Dept

[Goethe Institut](#)

- Goethe Institut has providing German language training since 1951

[Deutsche Welle - Deutsch Lernen](#)

- Several free online courses for German. Includes a vocabulary builder, beginner and intermediate

lessons, and a telenovela.

[Scientific German](#)

- Science magazines, tv, and miscellaneous cool websites

[German Language Resource Center](#)

- Free resource guide from Gale

[German Wikipedia](#)

Content Specific Standards

[NJSLS World Language](#)

Novice Mid learners understand and communicate at the word, phrase, and simple sentence level and can independently identify and recognize memorized words and phrases that bring meaning to text.

INTERPRETIVE

7.1.NM.IPRET.1: Identify familiar spoken and written words, phrases, and simple sentences contained in culturally authentic materials and other resources related to targeted themes.

7.1.NM.IPRET.2: Respond with actions and/or gestures to oral and written directions, commands, and requests that relate to familiar and practiced topics.

7.1.NM.IPRET.3: Identify familiar people, places, objects in daily life based on simple oral and written descriptions.

7.1.NM.IPRET.4: Report on the content of short messages that they hear, view, and read in predictable culturally authentic materials.

7.1.NM.IPRET.5: Demonstrate comprehension of brief oral and written messages found in short culturally authentic materials on global issues, including climate change.

INTERPERSONAL

7.1.NM.IPERS.1: Request and provide information by asking and answering simple, practiced questions,

using memorized words and phrases.

7.1.NM.IPERS.2: Share basic needs on very familiar topics using words, phrases, and short memorized, formulaic sentences practiced in class.

7.1.NM.IPERS.3: Express one's own and react to others' basic preferences and/or feelings using memorized, words, phrases, and simple memorized sentences that are supported by gestures and visuals.

7.1.NM.IPERS.4: Give and follow simple oral and written directions, commands, and requests when participating in classroom and cultural activities.

7.1.NM.IPERS.5: Imitate gestures and intonation of the target culture(s) native speakers when greeting others, during leave-takings, and in daily interactions.

7.1.NM.IPERS.6: Exchange brief messages with others about climate in the target regions of the world and in one's own region using memorized and practiced words, phrases, and simple, formulaic sentences.

PRESENTATIONAL

7.1.NM.PRSNT.1: Present basic personal information, interests, and activities using memorized words, phrases, and a few simple sentences on targeted themes.

7.1.NM.PRSNT.2: State basic needs on very familiar topics using words, phrases, and short memorized, formulaic sentences practiced in class.

7.1.NM.PRSNT.3: Imitate, recite, and/or dramatize simple poetry, rhymes, songs, and skits.

7.1.NM.PRSNT.4: Copy/write words, phrases, or simple guided texts on familiar topics.

7.1.NM.PRSNT.5: Present information from age- and level-appropriate, culturally authentic materials orally or in writing.

7.1.NM.PRSNT.6: Name and label tangible cultural products associated with climate change in the target

language regions of the world.

Interdisciplinary Standards

[NJSLS SOCIAL STUDIES](#)

6.1.12.History CC.11.b: Analyze the roles of various alliances among nations and their leaders in the conduct and outcomes of the World War II.

6.1.12.Civics PD.16.a: Construct a claim to describe how media and technology has impacted civic participation and deliberation.

6.1.12.Econ NE.16.a: Make evidenced-base inferences regarding the impact of technology on the global workforce and on entrepreneurship.

6.1.12.Econ NE.16.b: Evaluate the economic, political, and social impact of new and emerging technologies on individuals and nations.

6.1.12.History UP.16.a: Analyze the impact of American culture on other world cultures and determine the impact of social media on the dissemination of American culture

6.1.12.History CC.16.b: Determine past and present factors that led to the widening of the gap between the rich and poor, and evaluate how this has affected individuals and society.

6.2 World History: Global Studies by the End of Grade 12

6.2.12.Geo PP.1.a: Determine the role of natural resources, climate, and topography in European exploration, colonization, and settlement patterns.

6.2.12.Geo GE.1.c: Assess the role of mercantilism in stimulating European expansion through trade, conquest, and colonization

6.2.12.History CC.3.b: Explain how industrialization and urbanization affected class structure, family life, the daily lives of men, women, and children, and the environment.

6.2.12.Civics PI.4.a: Compare and contrast socialism, communism, fascism, and liberal democracy, analyze the

extent to which they promote and protect civil, political, social and economic rights for people, and explain the reasons for their growth or decline around the world

6.2.12.GeoSP.4.b: Determine how geography impacted military strategies and major turning points during World War II.

6.2.12.HistoryUP.4.b: Report on the influence of war, economic depression, and genocide on the arts, cultural values, and social ideas.

6.2.12.HistoryUP.4.c: Compare and contrast the actions of individuals as perpetrators, bystanders, and rescuers during events of persecution or genocide, and describe the long-term consequences of genocide for all involved.

6.2.12.EconGE.6.c: Relate the rise of the Internet and social media to global economy.

6.3 Active Citizenship in the 21st Century by the End of Grade 12

6.3.12.HistoryCA.1: Analyze the impact of current governmental practices and laws affecting national security and/or First Amendment rights and privacy (e.g., immigration, refugees, seizure of personal property, juvenile detention, listening devices, deportation, religion in schools).

6.3.12.HistoryCA.2: Analyze a current foreign policy issue by considering current and historical perspectives, examining strategies, and presenting possible actions.

[NJSL Visual and Performing Arts](#)

1.4.12prof.Cr2b: Examine the collaborative nature of the actor, director, playwright, and designers, and explore their interdependent roles.

1.4.12acc.Cr2a: Develop a dramatic interpretation to demonstrate a critical understanding of historical and cultural influences in a devised or scripted theatre work.

1.5.12prof.Pr4a: Analyze, select and curate artifacts and/or artworks for presentation and preservation.

1.5.12acc.Pr5a: Evaluate, select and apply methods or processes appropriate to display artwork in a specific place.

1.5.12acc.Re7b: Evaluate the effectiveness of visual artworks to influence ideas, feelings, and behaviors of specific audiences.

1.5.12adv.Cn11a: Assess the impact of an artist or a group of artists on the beliefs, values and behaviors of a society

Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills

[NJSLs Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills](#)

9.2.12.CAP.2: Develop college and career readiness skills by participating in opportunities such as structured learning experiences, apprenticeships, and dual enrollment programs.

9.2.12.CAP.4: Evaluate different careers and develop various plans (e.g., costs of public, private, training schools) and timetables for achieving them, including educational/training requirements, costs, loans, and debt repayment.

9.2.12.CAP.5: Assess and modify a personal plan to support current interests and postsecondary plans

9.2.12.CAP.6: Identify transferable skills in career choices and design alternative career plans based on those skills.

9.2.12.CAP.8: Determine job entrance criteria (e.g., education credentials, math/writing/reading comprehension tests, drug tests) used by employers in various industry sectors.

9.2.12.CAP.13: Analyze how the economic, social, and political conditions of a time period can affect the labor market

Computer Science and Design Thinking

[NJSLs Computer Science and Design Thinking](#)

8.1.12.CS.2: Model interactions between application software, system software, and hardware.

8.1.12.CS.3: Compare the functions of application software, system software, and hardware.

8.1.12.IC.1: Evaluate the ways computing impacts personal, ethical, social, economic, and cultural practices.

8.1.12.IC.2: Test and refine computational artifacts to reduce bias and equity deficits.

8.1.12.IC.3: Predict the potential impacts and implications of emerging technologies on larger social, economic, and political structures, using evidence from credible sources

8.2.12.ITH.3: Analyze the impact that globalization, social media, and access to open source technologies has had on innovation and on a society's economy, politics, and culture.

8.2.12.ETW.4: Research historical tensions between environmental and economic considerations as driven by human needs and wants in the development of a technological product and present the competing viewpoints.

Pacing Guide

UNIT ONE				
Theme	Title	Topics	Pacing Guide	Summative Assessments
Personal and Public Identities	Welcome to Our World	Greetings/leave-taking Survival phrases Alphabet and numbers Calendar Weather	Marking Period One	Interpretive, interpersonal and presentational tasks are administered throughout the marking period.
UNIT TWO				
Theme	Title	Topics	Pacing Guide	Summative Assessments
Family and Community	All About Me!	Countries and nationalities	Marking Period Two	Interpretive, interpersonal and presentational tasks

		Physical and personality descriptions Family and friends		are administered throughout the marking period.
UNIT THREE				
Theme	Title	Topics	Pacing Guide	Summative Assessments
Contemporary Life	School Days!	Time Schools Subjects Preferences, likes and dislikes	Marking Period Three	Interpretive, interpersonal and presentational tasks are administered throughout the marking period.
UNIT FOUR				
Theme	Title	Topics	Pacing Guide	Summative Assessments
Science and Technology	Food Glorious Food!	Mealtimes Basic foods Ordering Paying and tipping Target culture currencies	Marking Period Four	Interpretive, interpersonal and presentational tasks are administered throughout the marking period.

Formative and Summative Assessment

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Marzano Scale
 Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down
 Mini whiteboards
 Google Voice Calls
 Ticket out the Door/Exit Tickets
 Digital Exit Checks (Poll Everywhere, Socrative, Google Forms)
 Four Corners
 Sequence Cards
 Snowball Fight
 Window Panes
 Planned speaking assessments
 Postcard
 List Three Things
 Venn Diagram
 Hand In, Pass Out

Write It Down
Think Pair Share
Think Write Pair Share
Doodle It
Two Roses and a Thorn
Twitter Voting
Backchannel/Todaysmeet
Digital Cork Board: Padlet
Jigsaw Groups
Answer the Essential Question (Verbally or Written)
Make Predictions
Self-Assessment
Web/Concept Map
ePortfolio Check
Journal Entry
Inside-Outside Circle
One Sentence Summary
Sentence Frames
Talk a Mile a Minute
Tic-Tac-Toe/Think-Tac-Toe
3-2-1: 3 things you found out, 2 interesting things, 1 question you still have
Numbered Heads Together
Gallery Walk
Just Like Me (Stand up if you....)
Stand up, Hand up, Pair up

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Each marking period has one summative assessment. Each summative assessment includes all three modes of communication that measure the students linguistic and cultural proficiency according to the NJSLs.

Interpretive Task
Interpersonal Task
Presentational Writing/Speaking Task

BENCHMARK ASSESSMENTS

Midterm and Final Exams

These benchmark assessments provide students' linguistic and cultural proficiency level in each of the three modes of communication.

ePortfolios

Students upload evidence of linguistic and cultural proficiency, use Can Do Statements to identify proficiency

in each of the modes of communication, and set goals about moving to increased proficiency.

ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Multiple choice questions

True/False questions during Interpretive tasks instead of exact fact recall

Main idea identification for Interpretive reading/listening task

Essay writing instead of interpersonal oral tasks

Narrations for comprehension check

Oral dictations

Recorded Presentational tasks that can be done from home/after school then viewed at a later date

Grading Procedures and Evaluation

GRADING GUIDELINES

In accordance with Board policy, grades are assigned each quarter. A final grade is determined and transcribed for courses at grades 6 – 12. In terms of proficiency the East Brunswick grades are as follows:

A	Excellent	Advanced Proficient
B	Good	Above Average Proficient
C	Fair	Proficient
D	Poor	Minimally Proficient
F	Failing	Partially Proficient

Grades will be determined by a variety of assessment strategies. In addition to interpretive, interpersonal and presentational performance assessments, students will be evaluated on cooperative group participation, note-taking, open-ended question responses, interpersonal conversations, ePortfolios and/or supplemental projects.

Grading Weights for Quarter Grades

40% Interpersonal Speaking, Presentational Speaking

40% Interpretive Reading/Listening, Presentational Writing

20% Formative Assessments

Final grades are weighted as follows:

Each quarter is 20% of the final grade. The midterm is 10% of the final grade, and the final exam is 10 % of the final grade.

Midterm exam grades are averaged into the second marking period and final exam grades are averaged into the fourth marking period. The final grade for the course is the average of the four marking period grades.

COURSE EVALUATION

Course achievement will be evaluated annually. In this course the goal is that a minimum of 95% of the pupils will meet at least the minimum proficiency level (D or better) set for the course. The department will analyze the achievement of students on unit assessments and final course grades and for final course grades the achievement of sub-groups identified by the state to determine if modifications in the curriculum and instructional methods are needed.

Other Information

GERMAN 1

SCED Number

24252

Grade Levels

8, 9

Schools

CJHS

School Course Codes

2205

NCES Level/Rigor

General Education

Credits

5.00

Minutes Per Week

210

Course Duration

Full Year

Initial Course Adopted

04/30/90

PRIMARY CONTENT AREA AND SECONDARY AREAS OF FOCUS**NJ Student Learning Standards**

Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills

Comprehensive Health and Physical Education

Language Arts Literacy

NJ Student Learning Standards

SMathematics

Science

SSocial Studies

NJ Student Learning Standards

Computer Science and Design Thinking S

Visual and Performing Arts S

SWorld Languages P

