

German, Minor

Requirements

The undergraduate minor in German requires a minimum of 15 s.h. in college-level German courses, including at least 9 s.h. in courses taken at the University of Iowa. All German courses (prefix GRMN) numbered 3000 or above with the language of instruction in German count toward the minor. At least 9 s.h. of coursework toward the minor must consist of German courses numbered 3000–4999. Students must maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass.

The minor may include up to 6 s.h. from GRMN:2001 Intermediate German I or GRMN:2002 Intermediate German II or from equivalent transfer, Furthering Language Incentive Program (FLIP), or Advanced Placement (AP) credit.

Students may count no more than one German course (prefix GRMN) taught in English toward the minor. These include German courses in the World Language and Cultural Exploration category of the General Education curriculum (numbered 1500–1999) or German courses in other General Education categories (numbered 2500–2999).

With the approval of the director of undergraduate studies for German, students may count up to 6 s.h. earned in study abroad programs toward the minor. Students may also apply one course from the University of Iowa Honors Program to the requirements for the minor when that course concerns German culture or language, with approval from the director of undergraduate studies.

Study Abroad

The University of Iowa offers a number of opportunities for study in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria. Students frequently choose to participate in the summer USAC Lüneburg program, the Dortmund University Exchange, or the Academic Year in Freiburg program at the Albert Ludwig University of Freiburg. Students should consult Study Abroad and the German undergraduate advisor to select a program that fits their interests.

Students pursuing a minor in German often enroll in one of the summer sessions offered by the USAC Lüneburg program, but minors are eligible for all study abroad programs offered by the University. Up to 6 s.h. of study abroad credit can be applied to the requirements for the minor.

For more information about study abroad opportunities, contact International Programs Study Abroad.

Teacher Licensure

Students who plan to use their work toward a minor in German as an academic background for earning teacher licensure should contact the Office of Student Services in the College of Education about requirements.