# MAJOR IN GERMAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

Please note that admission to the Major in German Language and Culture is suspended until further notice.

If you truly want to broaden your horizons in the 21st century, learning German will give you the edge you need. German is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world. Indeed, more than 120 million people have German as their mother tongue, while many others study it for reasons both practical and social. With knowledge of German, you improve your employment opportunities. Germany has the largest economy in the European Union and the third largest in the world. German is a leading language of science, literature, art, philosophy and history. Bottom line: being able to speak and write German puts you in high demand.

Our courses not only allow you to acquaint yourself with contemporary German, but also give you insights into the cultural and political history of German-speaking countries and into German cinema and literature. Through exchange programs with Germany and Austria, you can complete courses toward your degree in a native-speaking environment. Closer to home, the activities of the German Club provide an informal setting for honing your German-language skills. Our close cooperation with embassies and the Ottawa branch of the German Goethe Institute provides opportunities to participate in cultural activities and to receive official certification of your language proficiency level.

Courses in this program are taught in German, English or French.

## **Program Requirements**

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2018-2019 calendars (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/) for the previous requirements.

The table below includes only the discipline-specific courses. Please refer to the Academic Regulations (https://www.uottawa.ca/about-us/policies-regulations/academic-regulations/b-2-program-studies/) for information on the Honours bachelor's with double major and the Honours bachelor's with major and minor.

ALG 1100	Road Map to the Culture of the German- Speaking Countries	3 Units		
ALG 1901	Elementary German I	3 Units		
ALG 1902	Elementary German II	3 Units		
ALG 2101	Contemporary German Culture	3 Units		
ALG 2901	Intermediate German I	3 Units		
ALG 2902	Intermediate German II	3 Units		
ALG 3901	Advanced German I	3 Units		
ALG 3902	Advanced German II	3 Units		
3 course units from:		3 Units		
ALG 3900	Special Topics in German Literature			
ALG 3980	German Literature and Culture			
3 optional course units from the list of optional courses				
6 optional course units in German (ALG) at the 3000 level 6 Units from the list of optional courses				

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6 optional course units in German (ALG) at the 4000 level	6 Units

Total: 42 Units

# Mandatory requirement: Immersion stay abroad

A minimum of 12 units will be taken abroad in a university where German is the language of teaching and study. The University of Ottawa will establish ALG course equivalencies.

The foreign university and the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures will establish jointly a bank of courses from which students will choose the units to take.

#### **Eligibility requirements:**

- 1. must have completed ALG 2902;
- 2. must have a minimal cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 5.0;
- 3. must not be on probation;

Students will receive a total of \$2000 in funding (i.e. a \$1000 mobility scholarship from the International Office and \$1000 from the Faculty of Arts).

## **List of Optional Courses**

ALG 2100	Special Topics in German Culture	3 Units
ALG 2300	Masterpieces of German Literature in Translation	3 Units
ALG 3330	Cinema in the German Speaking Countries	3 Units
ALG 3900	Special Topics in German Literature	3 Units
ALG 3921	Directed Readings in German	3 Units
ALG 3980	German Literature and Culture	3 Units
ALG 4903	Special Topics in German Culture II	3 Units
ALG 4904	Practicum in German	3 Units
ALG 4905	Directed Study in German	3 Units
YDD 1901	Introduction to the Yiddish Language and Culture I	3 Units
YDD 1902	Introduction to the Yiddish Language and Culture II	3 Units
YDD 2104	Yiddish Culture, Literature, and Film	3 Units