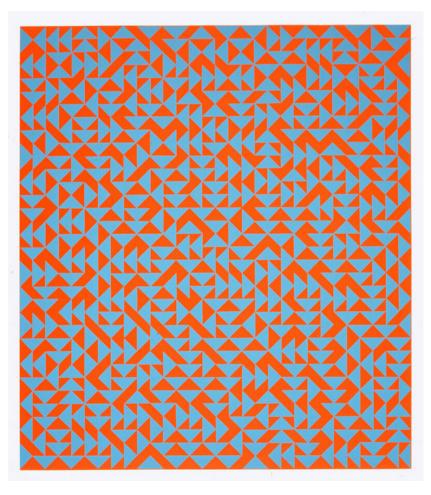
WILLKOMMEN BEI SECOND-SEMESTER GERMAN! GERM 110-003



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LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

UBC Vancouver is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xwməθkwəýəm (Musqueam) people. The land it is situated on has always been a place of learning for the Musqueam people, who for millennia have passed on their culture, history, and traditions from one generation to the next on this site.

As we learn together in this class, it is important to consider our presence on this territory, and, further, how we might support efforts to protect Indigenous land rights.

It's also important to acknowledge this land in all the languages we use. Here is how you might do so in German:

Die UBC Vancouver befindet sich auf dem traditionellen angestammten und nicht abgetretenen Territorium des xwməθkwəýəm (Musqueam) Volkes. Das Land, auf dem der Campus liegt, war immer und ist bis heute ein Ort des Lernens für die Musqueam, die hier über Jahrtausende ihre Kultur, Geschichte und Traditionen von einer Generation zur nächsten weitergegeben haben.

If you speak languages other than English, think about how you might speak about these topics in those languages. If you're not sure, reach out to someone who might!

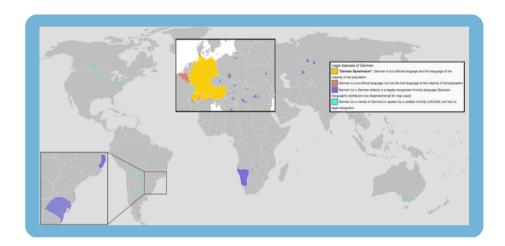
Where did you grow up? Have you traveled anywhere recently? Check out <u>native-land.ca</u> for an introduction to the territory of the Indigenous peoples in the regions of the world most familiar to you.

WHEN & WHERE

Meetings:

Winter Term 2 2022-23 Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 11:00am–12:00pm HENNINGS 304

GERM 110 requires GERM 100 as a prerequisite. If you have some knowledge of German or are unsure of your level, please send an e-mail to David Gramling, david.gramling@ubc.ca



YOUR INSTRUCTOR

Dr. Daniela Hempen

Department of Central, Eastern, and Northern European Studies (CENES, "seh-ness")

Office hours:

Wednesdays and Fridays, 2:00pm–3:00pm in person in my office in Buchanan Tower 904

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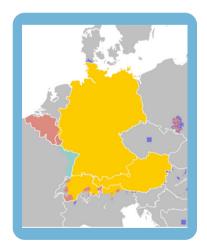
WHAT WE'LL NEED

- 1) Digital access to the textbook SAG MAL ("Zahg mahl"): An Introduction to German Language and Culture. 3rd Student Edition, by Christine Anton & Tobias Barske. Student Package with Online Access Code to Supersite Plus (SSPlus) and Web Student Activities Manual (wSAM)
- Sag Mal is available through the UBC Bookstore in a digital or loose-leaf format. Both formats include either a 6- or 36-month access code to Supersite, the online platform integrated with the Sag Mal materials. The German Language Program uses all of the Sag Mal text book through its first four semesters, so you'll get your money's worth!



2) CANVAS will be used for accessing additional course material and initiating discussions. To log in to Canvas and learn more visit: https://students.canvas.ubc.ca. You can direct all technical questions to the Learning Technology Hub: It.hub@ubc.ca.

WHAT WE'LL LEARN

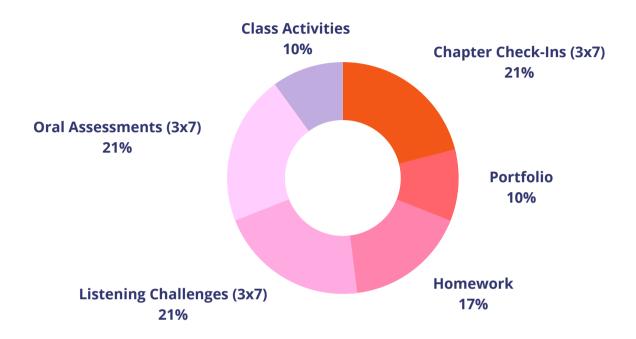


- to speak and write in German about practical and cultural traditions around food and eating, themes of home life and daily routines, and cultural festivities and celebrations;
- to apply language skills when communicating with speakers of German in a variety of interactions, such as expressing good wishes, ordering food, purchasing clothing and doing household chores
- to comprehend basic aural, spoken and written texts in German
- to speak and write in German about past events and actions
- to apply learning strategies to succeed in learning German and in other future learning of foreign languages
- to identify the rich dimensions of human diversity that characterize Germanophone cultures, including but not limited to linguistic, racial, ethnic, social, regional, gender and ability difference
- to enhance your understanding of your own language(s) and cultural background(s).

WHAT ABOUT GRADING?

Marking and assessment in UBC German classes are designed to encourage your progress and to coach you toward your goals.

Here's how we do it.



Homework (17%)

Your textbook is linked to a great online platform called *Supersite*, where you will practice grammar, vocabulary, and other knowledge introduced in each chapter for every class period.

Class Activities (10%)

You will attend class regularly and participate actively in all assigned in-class activities.

Portfolio (10%)

The portfolio is an ongoing document for your personal exploration with German. You will hand in contributions for the portfolio three times in the semester, and grade your progress yourself. More detailed info on Canvas!

Oral Assessments (21% = 3x 7%)

Twice in the term, you will upload a) a text you've written in response to a prompt your instructor will give you, as well as b) a video of yourself reading or performing the text you've written. The third assessment will be a short live presentation at the end of term.

Listening Comprehension Challenges (21% = 3x 7%)

Three times in a semester, you will do a listening comprehension task and respond to a set of basic comprehension questions about it so you can track your comprehension over time.

Chapter Check-Ins (21% = 3x 7%)

At the end of each chapter in *Sag Mal*, you will complete a short online quiz at home. These will be available on Canvas for a 24-hour period. There are no traditional final exams or midterms in this course.

OUR PLAN FOR THE TERM



SICH WOHL FÜHLEN: TAKING CARE OF YOURSELF IN GERM 110

We know that it isn't easy to learn a language. But it can be fun and joyful, and it is definitely important. Being able to actually speak a language—rather than just reading it off a machine translation platform—opens you up to new friendships, knowledge, opportunities, and worlds.

Here are some beginning tips for how we can make this term a good one.

- **Make a friend!** Introduce yourself to a student or two who sit nearby, or by posting on the Canvas discussion forum. This way, if one of you comes down with a cold and has to miss class, you can help each other by e.g. sharing notes.
- Start a **WhatsApp Group, a Spotify music page, or a class instagram.** Just for fun! Having a community helps the learning along!
- **Contact your instructor** If you're feeling ill and cannot attend class or finish a homework assignment on time. If there is an assessment that day, we will make alternate arrangements.
- Find a favorite song in German and memorize the lyrics so you can sing along!

UBC POLICIES AND HELPFUL RESOURCES:

The following policies and procedures are considered part of the class syllabus and policy. Feel free to talk them over with your instructor!

UBC <u>Attendance</u> Policy
Applying for <u>Academic Concession</u>

<u>UBC's Academic Code of Honour</u>

<u>UBC's current COVID-19 Policy</u>

<u>Resources to support Student Success</u>

<u>Accommodations for Religious Holidays and Days of Significance</u>

<u>Using Online Netiquette</u>

<u>Use of Electronic Devices at UBC</u>

<u>Center for Accessibility: Support for Disabled Students</u>

UBC Calendar Entry for this course:

"Introduction to the language. Ability to communicate accurately in a variety of everyday situations, speak about past events and express ideas and hypotheses in German."

HMM... WHAT ABOUT A MAJOR OR MINOR IN GERMAN?

There is so much to explore alongside German 110! Courses range from culture and film studies, to literature and historiography, philosophy and language, sexuality and gender, media, activism, and society.

Our professors are experts in fields ranging from Comics and Games studies and Queer Studies and Critical Race Theory. Our Honours students participate in community and capstone projects, including our annual undergraduate research conference and journal.

Courses offered in Term 2 include:



GERM 121: German Fairytales and Popular Culture (Dr. Biz Nijdam)



GERM 304: **Sexuality and Weimar Cinema** (Dr. Ervin Malakaj)



GERM 412: Waste Media (Dr. Ilinca Iurașcu)

These courses require no prerequisites. And don't worry! Many courses in UBC German are taught in English. Your new German knowledge will be a bonus!

Questions? Reach out to your instructor or to the director of undergraduate studies, Dr. Ervin Malakaj, ervin.malakaj@ubc.ca! He is a joy to be around and would love to chat with you.

You can also check out more information about courses offered this term and next on our Instagram @ubcgermanstudies.

THE GERMAN PROGRAM HELPS YOU TO:

- Experience and contribute to our multilingual world
- Recognize how multilingual meanings impact people and processes—in complex, subtle, and profound ways
- Describe how monolingualism and linguistic nativism intersect with racism, nationalism, classism, ableism, and other forms of oppression

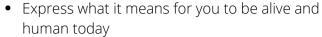
Undoing the effects of monolingualism, Anglocentrism, and linguistic nativism •

- describe the means by which knowledge is made
 in diverse Germanophone contexts—including
 collaborative, historical, methodological,
 linguistic, social, aesthetic, creative, technological,
 material, and political processes
- interpret texts and narratives using various literary, linguistic, and multimodal frameworks
- help undo colonial processes of knowledge production—both those arising from Germanophone colonial modernity and in Canada's colonial past and present

Knowing—from a multilingual, Germanophone standpoint

- Speak, read, and write in German creatively and confidently, taking pride in the accents and heritage language proficiencies you came to the program with (English, German, Mandarin, Persian, Cree, etc.
- Work across languages—through translation, interpretation, code-mixing, assistive technology, etc.
- Understand that language is constantly changing amid social and historical fluid

Enjoying using German—with confidence



- Express what responsibilities you have to other people, communities, land, and ecologies
- Identify the complexities of historical, sociopolitical, and cultural processes that particularly affect German-speaking people and places

Living and being alive in a volatile age

- Identify and describe how power works in the settings that matter to you and your communities
- Describe Germanophone societies' specific responsibility to redress genocide, eugenics, Nazism, colonialism, settler colonialism, and the ongoing effects of empire
- Use resources from cultural history and experiences of crisis from the 20th century and before to pursue justice and responsibility in the 21st century
- critique propaganda, linguistic deceit, obfuscation, linguistic racism, elitism, authoritarianism, hate, exclusionary purism, and various forms of fascism in linguistic, visual, and symbolic form

Aiming for planetary justice & public responsibility

- Strive to comprehend beyond your own personal experience and standpoint, through processes of listening, reflecting, conceptualization, analysis, and translation
- View knowledge and language as a commons, rather than a possession
- Identify the difference between the use of language and knowledge to manipulate or gain power over others, and the use of language to uplift and nourish others
- Identify how your experiences shape you differently than do those of a person of another gender, sexuality, race, religion, background, immigration status, ethnicity, language, accent, embodiment, age, language, and worldview

Modelling intellectual humility

