

West Chester University Accelerated B.A. in Languages and Cultures - German Concentration to M.A. in Languages and Cultures - German Concentration through the Honors College Advisement Sheet

Effective for students entering Spring
'26 and later.

Indicate all the courses you have taken at WCU or transferred for credit. For completed courses, also list the grades. Mark an asterisk () beside courses you are currently taking.*

Students must maintain a grade of "C" in all courses, both required and elective.

I. MAJOR LANGUAGE COURSES

A. Tier 1: Language Skills (9 credits)

GER 102 (Elementary German II)
GER 201 (Intermediate German I)
GER 202 (Intermediate German II)

B. Tier 2: Proficiency (6 credits)

GER 303 (Advanced German Grammar and Composition I)
GER 307 (Advanced Oral German)
OR
GER 315 (Developing Oral Proficiency)

C. Tier 3: Competency Content (9 credits)

Select one course from each of the following groups:

Literacy Analysis

GER 322 (Austrian Civilization)
GER 350 (German Culture I: Middle Ages to 1900)

GER 351 (German Culture: 20th Century German)

Culture Analysis

GER 322 (Austrian Civilization)
GER 326 (The Representation of the Holocaust in Survivor Memoirs)
GER 350 (German Culture I: Middle Ages to 1900)
GER 351 (German Culture: 20th Century German)

Language and Linguistics

GER 310 (Business German)
GER 325 (Introduction to German Linguistics)

D. Tier 4 (3 credits)

Select at least one 400-level course in cultural, film, or literacy studies.

GER 404 (German Artists as Social Conscience)
GER 405 (A Survey of German Film)
GER 408 (Masterpieces of German Theatre)
GER 410 (Independent Studies in Language and Literature)
GER 411 (Seminar in German)
GER 413 (Impact of Holocaust on Lit and Film)
LAN 425 (Internship in Foreign Languages)

E. Second Language

Demonstration of proficiency in a second language through the Intermediate II level, by placement testing or coursework through 202 (credit by examination and/or CLEP permitted).

F. Connections: Common to all Languages (6 credits)

LAN 327 (Introduction to Linguistics for Language)*
LNC 368 (Comparative Cultural Studies)

* NOTE: LIN 230/ENG 230 may substitute.

G. Immersion Experience (3-12 credits)*

Immersion study and/or internship work is an essential component of the B.A.L.C. curriculum. Languages and cultures are inextricably entwined. The goal of the immersion experience, which is a requirement for graduation, is to enable students to apply linguistic and cultural knowledge in an authentic social context, and for them to experience the challenges and the gratification of living in another culture.

*NOTE: See the department chairperson and student handbook for options.

H. Capstone Requirement (3 credits)

Select one of the following courses not already completed for the Tier 4 requirement:

GER 404 (German Artists as Social Conscience)
GER 405 (A Survey of German Film)
GER 408 (Masterpieces of German Theatre)
GER 410 (Independent Studies in Language and Literature)
GER 413 (Impact of Holocaust on Lit and Film)

II. HONORS COLLEGE CORE SEQUENCE for GEN ED (27 credits)

HON 100 (Self Awareness)
HON 211 (Public Discourse)
HON 212 (Ethics & Technology)
HON 310 (Community Change)
HON 311 (Stewardship/Civic Responsibility)
HON 312 (Educational Systems)
or
HON 322 (Leader. With ELLs)
HON 313 (Public Opinion)
HON 314 (Environ. Systems)
HON 315 (Community & Arts)
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III. ADDITIONAL HONORS COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (9 credits)

A) Two HON seminars at the 320 level or above (except 322)

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B) Capstone Project[^]

HON 490 _____

[^]NOTE: Enrollment upon core completion: ideally 6th or 7th semester.

IV. DIRECTED ELECTIVES

Take enough directed electives to complete 120 credits. The actual number of electives required will vary depending upon (among other things) the option to complete a minor(s) and the number of courses the student must take to complete the foreign language requirement.

V. ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Up to 12 credits of undergraduate Major courses in the target language may be substituted by any graduate 500-level courses in the target language: these courses would count both for the B.A. Major requirements and towards the M.A. in Languages and Cultures. Specifically, up to four 500-level courses taken as an undergraduate student will count towards the six Target-Language Courses required for the M.A. degree in Languages and Cultures.

LAN 525 _____ (Internship in Foreign Languages)

Bring this sheet with you whenever you meet with your advisor about scheduling or course planning!

(Revised Spring 2026)

- GER 500 _____ (20th Century German Culture)
- GER 501 _____ (Post-Wall German Literature and Film)
- GER 504 _____ (Postwar German Literature and Film)
- GER 505 _____ (Survey of German Film)
- GER 508 _____ (German Society: Dramatic Text: Wilhelmine Era to the Present)
- GER 516 _____ (The Novelle)
- GER 518 _____ (Contemporary German Literature)
- GER 522 _____ (Austrian Literature and Culture)
- GER 525 _____ (German Linguistics)
- GER 526 _____ (Communicating the Unspeakable: Holocaust Survivor Narratives)
- GER 550 _____ (German Literary Genres from the Middle Ages to the Fin-de-Siecle)