

# GERMAN STUDIES MINOR

Banner Code: GRMS

## Academic Advising

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Website: [mcl.gmu.edu/programs/la-minor-mcl-grm/](http://mcl.gmu.edu/programs/la-minor-mcl-grm/)

The emphasis of the minor is on developing strong language skills: oral communication and the reading of texts. Students are introduced to important works of German literature and to the culture of German-speaking countries.

A German Studies minor can easily and effectively be combined with majors in other disciplines. It is especially valuable in combination with business, computer science, international studies, history, music, philosophy, or another language.

## Admissions & Policies

### Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor. Students pursuing this minor must complete 18 credits at the 300-level or above with a minimum grade of 2.00 in each course. For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

A maximum of two courses (6 credits) conducted in English can be applied to the minor.

## Requirements

### Minor Requirements

Total credits: 18

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

### Core Courses

#### Language Courses

Code	Title	Credits
Select three courses from the following: 9		
GERM 310	Conversation and Composition	
GERM 316	German for the Business World	
GERM 312	Great Cities in Germany, Austria and Switzerland	
GERM 315	German for the Global World	
GERM 318	Translation of Texts	
GERM 370	German Through the Arts	
GERM 415	Advanced Grammar and Style	
GERM 418	Advanced Composition	
Total Credits		9

#### Literature and Culture Courses

Code	Title	Credits
Select two courses from the following: 6		
GERM 301	Culture and Civilization	
GERM 325	Major Writers (Mason Core) ( <a href="http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/">http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/</a> )	
GERM 340	Topics in German Literature and Film	
GERM 355	Readings in Poetry (Topic Varies)	
GERM 365	Topics in German History and Culture	
GERM 375	Readings in Drama	
GERM 442	The Age of Goethe	
GERM 444	The Literature of Romanticism	
GERM 480	Special Topics	
Total Credits		6

#### Elective

Code	Title	Credits
Select one course from the following: <sup>1</sup> 3		
GERM 300- or 400-Level Course ( <a href="http://catalog.gmu.edu/courses/germ/">http://catalog.gmu.edu/courses/germ/</a> )		
HIST 306	The Reformation	
HIST 308	Nineteenth-Century Europe	
HIST 309	Europe in Crisis: 1914-1948	
HIST 314	History of Germany	
PHIL 325	Karl Marx's Social and Political Thought	
PHIL 335	Nineteenth-Century Philosophy	
PHIL 340	Hermeneutic Philosophy	
MUSI 332	Music History in Society II	
MUSI 338	Music History in Society A	
Total Credits		3

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The courses listed may apply to the minor with prior written approval of the advisor.