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# GERMAN

**Did you know that the  
University of Wisconsin-Madison is one of  
the largest, highest-ranked, and best known German programs in the  
North America?**

## *What's so special about German?*

- Over 90 million people in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and Liechtenstein speak German, making it the language with the most speakers in Central and Western Europe.
- 25% of the American populace (50% Wisconsin) have German ancestors.
- The first German speakers came to North America in 1683 and to Wisconsin in 1839.
- The Federal Republic of Germany has the largest and most dynamic economy in Europe.
- German speakers have had a profound positive influence on world culture in:
  - the visual arts (Dürer, Barlach, Merian, Münter)
  - music (Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Mahler, Brahms, Weill)
  - theatre (Schiller, Lessing, Giese, Gründgens, Brecht)
  - film (Lang, Schlöndorff, von Trotta, Dörrie, Herzog, Wilder)
  - the sciences (Einstein, Kepler, Böttger, Freud)
  - religion & philosophy (Luther, Hegel, Marx, Kant, Medelssohn)
  - literature (Goethe, Kafka, Mann, Böll, Grass)
  - politics (Bismarck, Adenauer, Brandt, Kohl)

## *Study Abroad*

...in Freiburg in Breisgau, Madison's sister city in Germany

...in Bonn, former capital of the Federal Republic of Germany

## *Courses*

**German Courses offered in both the Fall and Spring Semesters, most of them with a wide choice of selections and times:**

<i>First Semester German</i>	<i>German 101</i>
<i>Second Semester German</i>	<i>German 102</i>
<i>Third Semester German</i>	<i>German 203</i>
<i>Fourth Semester German</i>	<i>German 204</i>
<i>Composition/Conversation I</i>	<i>German 225</i>
<i>Composition/Conversation II</i>	<i>German 226</i>
<i>Introduction to German Literature and Culture I</i>	<i>German 221</i>
<i>Introduction to German Literature and Culture II</i>	<i>German 222</i>
<i>Introduction to German Literature</i>	<i>German 274</i>
<i>Honors Introduction to German Literature</i>	<i>German 284/285</i>

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