

**ROWAN UNIVERSITY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF WORLD LANGUAGES**

**GERMAN STUDIES MINOR**

*Beginning in the year 9 A.D., when Germanic tribes defeated Roman legions in the pivotal “Battle of the Teutoburg Forest,” thereby creating a space for German civilization and culture to develop in the centuries thereafter, through the period of migrations (“Völkerwanderungszeit”), the Middle Ages, the Reformation, the 18<sup>th</sup>-century Enlightenment, 19<sup>th</sup>-century Romanticism, unification with the 1870-71 Franco-Prussian War, the rise of fascism in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the calamities of two world wars, etc., German contributions to literature, philosophy, art, the social sciences and history have had a tremendous impact on Western civilization and the world generally.*

*The German Studies Minor is open to all students and should be of particular interest to students pursuing a career where knowledge of a second language is desirable. The program may be declared in the World Languages Department in Oak Hall 107, or by contacting the University Advising Center, Savitz Hall, Suite 323 (856-256-4459 / [advise@rowan.edu](mailto:advise@rowan.edu)). Students who have declared the program may schedule an advising appointment with the Program Advisor, Harold Thompson ([thompsonh@rowan.edu](mailto:thompsonh@rowan.edu)).*

The Minor consists of 6 courses (18 credits). Students are required to take at least 3 and a maximum of 5 courses within the German language component of the program. Elective courses in other departments can be used toward the Minor:

***Courses taught in German:***

<b>Elementary German I</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.101)</b>
<b>Elementary German II</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.102)</b>
<b>Intermediate German I</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.201)</b>
<b>Intermediate German II</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.211)</b>
<b>German Reading &amp; Composition</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.212)</b>
<b>German Civilization &amp; Culture</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.320)</b>
<b>Advanced German Conversation</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.411)</b>
<b>Special Topics in World Languages</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.440)</b>

***Courses taught in English (The following electives can be taken concurrently with language courses):***

<b>Masterpieces of German Literature in English Translation (LIT)</b> .....	<b>(GERM 03.100)</b>
<b>Geography of Europe</b> .....	<b>(GEOG 06.342)</b>
<b>Twentieth Century Europe I</b> .....	<b>(HIST 05.315)</b>
<b>Jewish Holocaust 1933-1945</b> .....	<b>(HIST 05.406)</b>
<b>Sociology of the Holocaust (WI)</b> .....	<b>(SOC 08.399)</b>
<b>German Philosophy (Topics in the History of Philosophy)</b> .....	<b>(PHIL 09.372)</b>
<b>German Cinema (Special Topics in Radio/TV/Film)</b> .....	<b>(RTF 01.402)</b>

\* All courses must be passed with a letter grade of C- or better. No courses can be taken P/NC.

\* Credits may be transferred into the Minor, including from study abroad, Advanced Placement, or the CLEP Exam (up to 9 s.h. in place of “Elementary German I,” “Elementary German II,” and “Intermediate German I”).

\* Students with existing proficiency in German should contact Dr. Edward C. Smith III ([smithe@rowan.edu](mailto:smithe@rowan.edu)) for a placement interview. Students may earn the credits for any skipped courses via the Authorization for Credit by Examination process and these credits are counted in fulfillment of program requirements.

\* Students planning to study abroad must meet with Dr. Edward C. Smith III ([smithe@rowan.edu](mailto:smithe@rowan.edu)), the Coordinator for German, in order to determine course equivalents.