

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 18th-century Enlightenment, 19th-century Romanticism, unification with the 1870-71 Franco-Prussian War, the rise of fascism in the 20th 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). Students who have declared the program may schedule an advising appointment with the Program Advisor, Harold Thompson (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:

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

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

Masterpieces of German Literature in English Translation (LIT)	(GERM 03.100)
Geography of Europe	(GEOG 06.342)
Twentieth Century Europe to 1945	(HIST 05.315)
Nazi Germany and the Holocaust	(HIST 05.406)
Sociology of the Holocaust (WI).....	(SOC 08.399)
Topics in the History of Philosophy (German Philosophy)	(PHIL 09.472)
Special Topics in Radio/TV/Film (German Cinema)	(RTF 01.402)

* 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) 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), the Coordinator for German, in order to determine course equivalents.