Course Prefix and Number: GER 101  Credits: 5

Course Title: Beginning German I

Course Description: Introduces understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills and emphasizes basic German sentence structures. Part I of II. May include one additional hour oral practice per week. Prerequisite: Functional fluency in English. Lecture 5 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: This course can be used to satisfy the foreign language requirement for all degrees that require a foreign language, or for anyone wishing to learn about German language and culture.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
Prerequisite: Functional fluency in English

Student Learning Outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
a. Understand simple spoken German within the limited context presented to beginners;
b. Speak simple German with correct pronunciation at normal conversational speed;
c. Read the German the student has already learned to comprehend and speak (introduction to reading selections in rearrangements and recombination of words and expressions already encountered); and
d. Write accurately what he/she has learned to understand, say, and read.

Major Topics to Be Included:
The student will learn the structure of the German language in a prescribed sequence beginning with the simplest structures and working toward the more complex. Students learn correct German pronunciation.
a. Personal identification
b. Education
c. House and home
d. Earning a living
e. Services
f. Leisure
g. Family life
h. Public and private services
i. Community/neighborhood
j. Shopping
k. Physical environment
l. Travel
m. Meal taking/food/drink
n. Current events
o. Health and welfare

Optional Topics: The development of the awareness of cultural patterns, including social patterns of behavior, historical developments, and contributions to the arts and sciences.

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