

**GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF ARTS, COMMERCE, AND EDUCATION**

**GERMAN 1200
COURSE OUTLINE**

INSTRUCTOR: TBA

OFFICE: TBA

TELEPHONE: TBA

COURSE TITLE: Beginner's German I

CREDITS: German 1200 carries 5 College credits. As well, German 1200 and German 1300 combined are equivalent to the University of Alberta's German 100, worth 6 University transfer credits.

CLASS TIMES: TBA

COURSE DESCRIPTION: German 1200 and 1300 together are equivalent to the German 10, 20, and 30 program in high school. Obviously, because our two courses include approximately the same content contained in the three-course high school program, they are fairly intense.

Nevertheless, you should understand that German 1200 is a beginner's course. No prior knowledge of German is required or expected. In German 1200, you will be introduced to all four language skill areas - listening, speaking, reading, and writing. You will practice the sounds of German and their relationship to spelling. You will learn basic vocabulary, common expressions for conversation, and simple sentence structures, including how to ask questions and how to answer them - in the present, the future, and the past.

If you already have credit in high school German 20, you should probably begin your study at the College in German 1300.

TEXTS:

1. Dollenmayer/Hansen: Neue Horizonte, 4th ed.
2. Dollenmayer/Hansen: Neue Horizonte: Workbook/Laboratory Manual, 4th ed.

ACTIVITIES:

This course is based primarily on the first 8 chapters of Neue Horizonte. The textbook presents vocabulary and structures linked to various themes and provides practice exercises. Most of our in-class time will focus on the textbook material.

Besides the textbook, there is a combined workbook/lab manual. You should acquire both books immediately.

The oral (taped) and written exercises in the workbook/lab manual section of your Neue Horizonte will give you supplemental practice using the vocabulary and structures introduced in each lesson. You will be completing many of these activities during Friday's "lab" period.

A weekly "lab" test will also be included; thus, regular attendance at all classes and labs is essential.

ASSIGNMENTS:

Both oral and written assignments will be required. These are to be completed and submitted on time. A 5% penalty per day will be applied after due dates.

You will be required to do two short oral presentations and write one short essay!

Oral Presentations

Pick any two "communication" activities found at the end of the Neue Horizonte lessons to prepare and present without the use of script. No presentation, even if done with a partner, should be more than 5 minutes in length.

Essay

Write approximately 200 words on one of the chapter themes.

EXAMS:

There will be a final exam worth 30% and a mid-term valued at 25%. In addition, several quizzes and tests will be given. Major exams will include written and oral components. **PLEASE PLAN** to take exams on the dates scheduled. Do not request makeups; only verified illness will justify a makeup. The final exam is scheduled by the Registrar. Do not plan family trips that would take place during the examination period.

ATTENDANCE:

Language acquisition depends on contact with and use of the language. You are, therefore, urged to avail yourself of every possible opportunity to hear, speak, and read German. Above all, as new language structures will be introduced daily, class attendance is essential. Your habits related to punctuality, attendance, and participation will undoubtedly manifest themselves in your grades.

CALCULATION OF FINAL GRADE:

	<u>%</u>
Quizzes (Mark calculated on best 10 of 12)	20
Labs: Completion and Tests	10
Oral Presentations (2)	10
Essay	5
Mid Term Exam	25
Final Exam	<u>30</u>
	100