Requirements for the Undergraduate Major in German Studies

General Information
The major in German Studies consists of a minimum of 31 credits in 3xxx-, 4xxx-, and 5xxx-level courses. All courses in the major must be taken A/F and completed with a grade of C- or better. At least two courses must be taken here in the German Program of the University of Minnesota. The Department recommends study abroad in a German-speaking country for at least six months for cultural familiarity and language fluency.

The major program must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Major Requirements

Minimum credits

- Ger 3011W, Conversation and Composition 4
- Ger 3104W, Reading and Analysis of German Literature 3
- Ger 3511W and 3512W, German Civilization and Culture 6
- GSD 3451W, Major Project Seminar or GSD 3451V (Honors) (fall semester only) 3
- One of the emphases below 15

Total: 31

A. Literature, Culture and Society Emphasis
This emphasis is designed to familiarize students with contemporary approaches to the study of culture and society in the German-speaking lands. It is particularly of interest for students wishing to pursue graduate studies in German literary and cultural studies as well as for future high school teachers of German.

5 (15 cr) Ger 3xxx, 4xxx or 5xxx courses. Only two of these may be Ger 36xx, 46xx, or 56xx courses if the student does substantial work in German, as directed by the instructors or by the Director of Undergraduate Studies. One of the five can be outside the German program as long as the course includes sufficient coverage of German-speaking areas

OR

B. Linguistics and Philology Emphasis
The Linguistics & Philology track appeals to students interested in the history and development of the German language, and for those planning to do graduate work in linguistics.

1. 4 more courses (12 cr) in German linguistics and philology: 37xx courses and 5101
2. 1 linguistics course (3-4 cr) chosen from Ling 3001, 3601, 5001 or 5601

The Major Project in this emphasis must deal with the German language, historical or modern.

TO THE STUDENT: The above information describes requirements of the German Program only. The College of Liberal Arts also has requirements that must be met in order to complete a Bachelor of Arts degree. Students not in CLA have the option of receiving a German Studies major without completing all the requirements for a B.A. degree.