German, BA

Whether you are intrigued by Germans' success in the business world, want to learn about how environmental and social justice movements are approached in Germany, or are imagining a career in the natural sciences, performing arts, sustainability or the humanities, a major in German helps you translate the world from a new perspective.

Program Description

Students in the BA program in German study the language, literature and culture of German-speaking people and gain competence in reading, writing, and oral and aural skills in the language. The program offers thought-provoking, engaging classes and experiences led by a core of faculty eager to help students succeed in achieving their goals. German classes provide opportunities for exploring how people in German-speaking Europe:

- understand the world through literature, film, the performing arts and other cultural practices
- engage with the worlds of politics, economics, social justice and humanitarianism
- think deeply about philosophy, the influence of history and the environment
- have become global leaders in the fields of business, engineering and the natural sciences

Students are encouraged to participate in the School of International Letters and Cultures faculty-directed summer abroad program in Regensburg or in a semester or academic-year exchange program available at several German universities.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus
• Additional Program Fee: Yes
• Second Language Requirement: Yes
• First Required Math Course: MAT 142 - College Mathematics
• Math Intensity: General

Required Courses (Major Map)

2022 - 2023 Major Map
Major Map (Archives)

Concurrent Program Options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a “double major”) earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

Global Management, MGM
Language Teaching, MA

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students are advised by their academic departments to apply.

Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.
Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer Options
ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use MyPath2ASU™ to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU.

**Global Opportunities**

**Global Experience**

Studying abroad is vital when learning German language and culture as there is no better way to learn a language than to be immersed in it. Studying abroad adds value to the degree by preparing students to lead in a 21st century, multicultural career with valuable skills employers seek. Students can choose from two-week to full-year programs in German-speaking countries. [https://goglobal.asu.edu/](https://goglobal.asu.edu/)

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in German: [https://goglobal.asu.edu/students/major/SILC/german](https://goglobal.asu.edu/students/major/SILC/german).

**Career Opportunities**

Knowledge of multiple languages and intercultural competencies enhance any occupation and offer graduates many career opportunities. Language-intensive careers include:

- foreign correspondent or media professional
- foreign service officer
- international banking and finance professional
- language teacher
- law and immigration professional
- multilingual administrative professional
- nongovernmental organization professional
- professor of language, literature and culture
- translator or interpreter
- travel professional

Career fields in which knowledge of multiple languages and cultures is valued include:

- advertising, marketing and communications
- airline industry
- film, television and multimedia
- hotel and resort management
• international education and study abroad administration
• international law
• lifestyle management
• military
• publishing
• technology industries

Additional education and certification may be required for some career paths.

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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<th>Career</th>
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<td>Cultural Studies Professor ✽</td>
<td>4.9%</td>
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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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