

# GRMN 10200 4, GRMN 10200 4 - Elementary German For Beginners-2 - Instructor(s): Maeve Hooper

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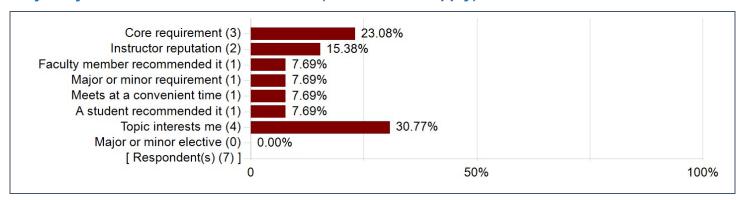
#### **Report Comments**

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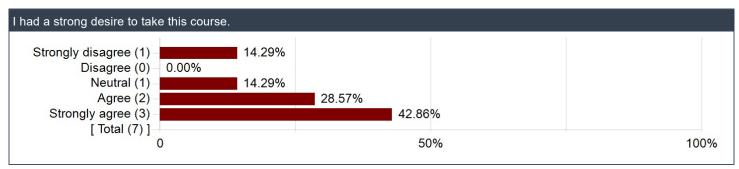
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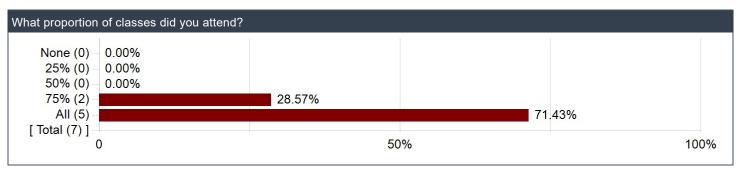
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



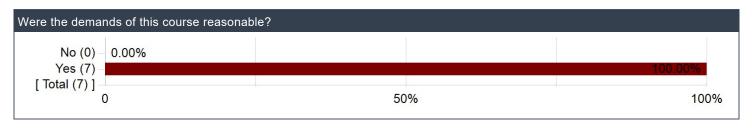
## I had a strong desire to take this course.



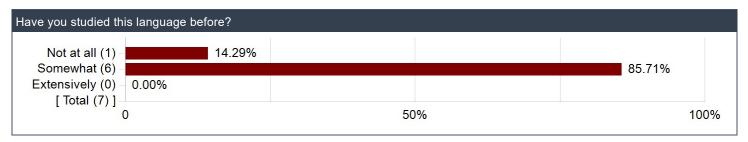
## What proportion of classes did you attend?



## Were the demands of this course reasonable?



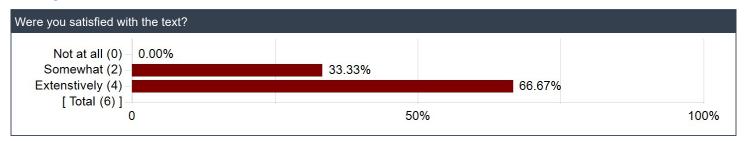
## Have you studied this language before?



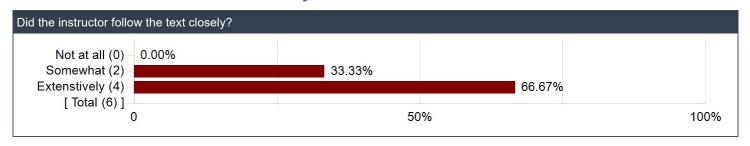
## Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	5.14	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	28.57%	42.86%
Spelling	3.71	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	42.86%	0.00%	14.29%
Reading	5.14	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	28.57%	42.86%
Writing	5.29	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%
Grammar	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	28.57%	28.57%
Vocabulary	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	42.86%	28.57%

## Were you satisfied with the text?



## Did the instructor follow the text closely?



## **Explain:**

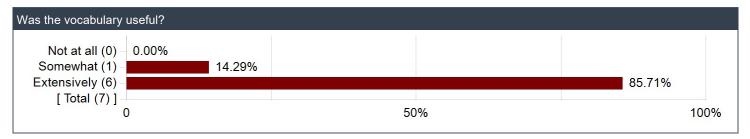
#### Comments

We did our own grammar exercises at home and the instructor built on them (often explained much better!) and then provided additional content as well in class.

She went over the textbook topics in class for a short duration and we had activities that were based off of the textbook topics (but often times included more content/useful vocabulary)

The text was a useful tool to aid the course, but Dr. Hooper made sure to go beyond its limitations.

## Was the vocabulary useful?



## Why?

#### Comments

We learned a diversity of topics but also were able to revisit and practice old grammar so that it sticks

I find that I'm able to express a lot of sentences/sentiments with the vocab we've learned so far

The vocabulary we learned is essential for everyday life.

## Describe the format of the class (lecture, drills, etc.). Was this format productive? Please be specific.

#### Comments

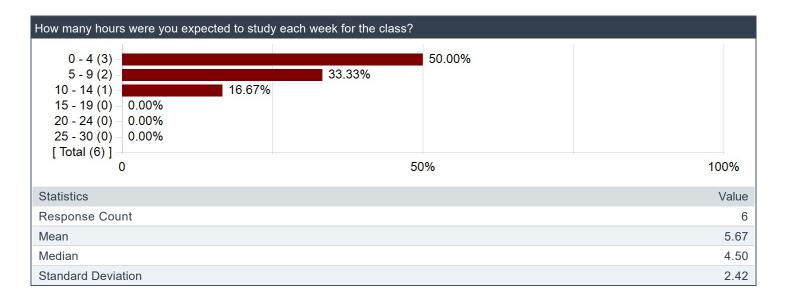
We read the textbook to learn grammar and practice reading comprehension, spelling, vocab, etc every day. When we got to class, Professor Hooper recapped important points on grammar, and always re–explained them if we were confused. The recap never felt repetitive, unnecessary, or time–consuming, it was always just enough to kick off the class. The rest of the class was spent completing exercises that incorporated, reading, speaking, grammar, listening, and vocab. It was incredibly productive. I particularly enjoyed the fact that we shifted between different kinds of drills and exercises so frequently because it kept us so engaged that I was always surprised when class was over.

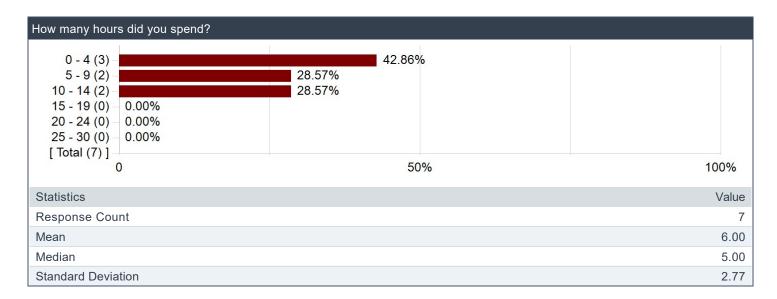
Yes, the classes went by fast because we did so many different activities

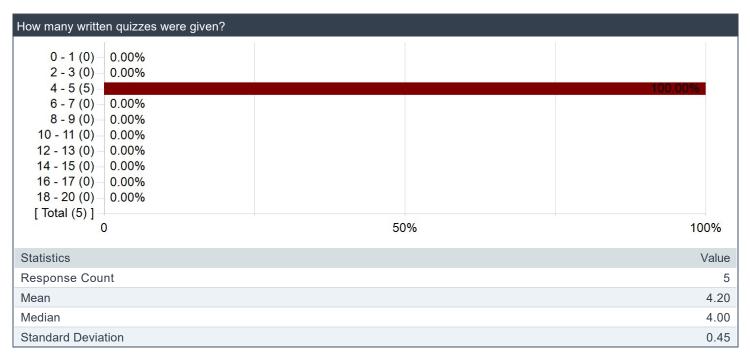
Homework covered the materials /presented new concepts. In class, we would go over the textbook material for a couple minutes then do various practice activities, usually speaking/listening but also sometimes reading or writing.

We would complete an assignment a day prior to the content being formally taught, which I felt accelerated my understanding of the language.

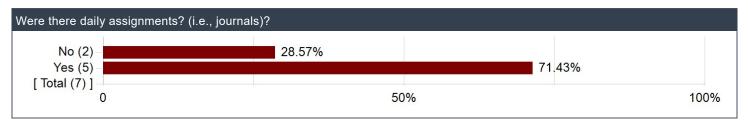
lecture with examples, activities, etc.





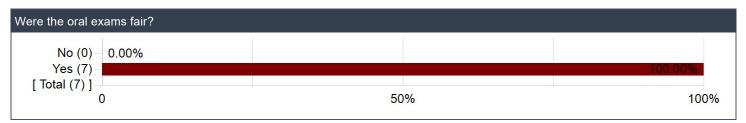


## Were there daily assignments? (i.e., journals)?

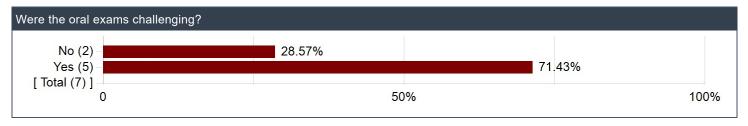


How many oral e	exams were given?			
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Statistics			Value	
Response Count				
Mean			2.00	
Median			2.00	
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#### Were the oral exams fair?



## Were the oral exams challenging?



## Why? Please be specific.

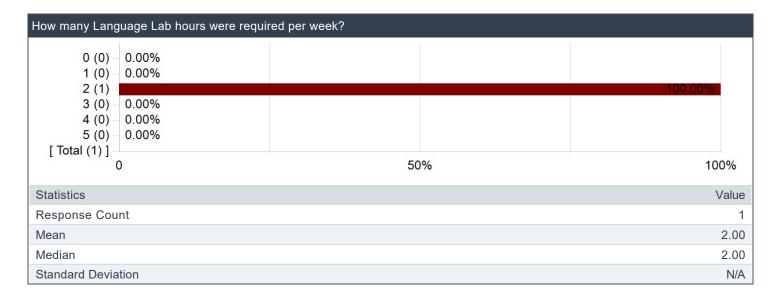
#### Comments

The oral exams took the form of Gesprächs and Rezitations. Mostly it was informal comprehension or reading a text aloud. We practiced these informal conversations in class so much that they weren't too bad. For the rezitation you have to select a 100–word piece to memorize and recite. It's a bit tough to memorize, but totally productive

Yes, but they were not stressful. Rather than asking for extensive studying beforehand, Prof Hooper challenged us to use all the different parts of the grammar we already knew.

Difficult to memorize a song (for me at least)

The exams were simply to track how well you can conduct yourself given your basic knowledge of the language. I never felt nervous! the rezitation is fairly difficult since it is a test of memory



## If there were required outside activities (i.e. foreign films or SCOLA), describe your experience.

#### Comments

We had two extra classes that we had to attend to practice colloquial speech. They were both productive and short

We went to 2 additional conversation hours during the quarter. These felt pretty similar to classes. They were well run and useful but I wasn't sure what was different other than speaking was emphasized more than grammar.

The required conversation hours were very useful

We had conversation hours with some peers, which I felt was one of the best additions to the term.

## Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
4.29	5.00	14.29%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	71.43%

## **Explain**

#### Comments

Professor Hooper is one of the most organized professors I've had at this school. All vocab is easily accessible on Quizlet, which is where I prefer to study it. Every homework is clearly listed at the beginning of the quarter and the schedule is followed throughout. Each exam has a meticulously detailed study guide that is productive both for success on the exam and for the learning process. Not a single minute of class time is wasted. Each practice drill is logically followed by the next and everything is prepared so that there is no time spent idle!

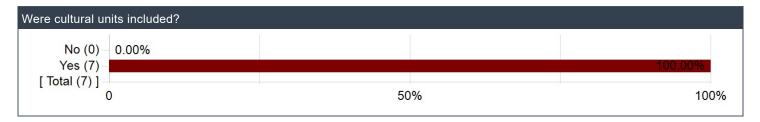
Prof Hooper is AMAZING! Her slides are detailed, all the information and more you could want is on Canvas and she is very easily reachable during and outside of class time,

Syllabus clearly outlined expectations, grading, and there was a daily planner for homework and for when assignments were due. There were also very clear exam study guides for each chapter exam.

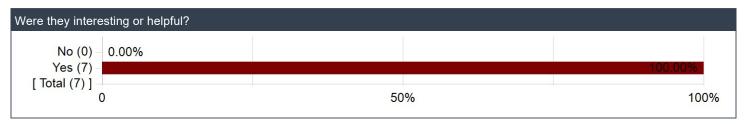
Professor Hooper comes to class incredibly prepared every day. Our activities and lesson plans are very helpful.

Dr. Hooper is always very prepared and has a plan in place

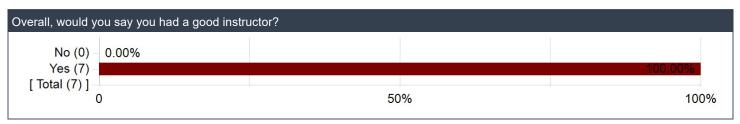
#### Were cultural units included?



## Were they interesting or helpful?



## Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



## Why?

#### Comments

Professor Hooper is the absolute best! She is so nice and very knowledgeable. Her speaking is incredibly articulate and easy to understand, and she always explains the subject material in a clear and concise manner.

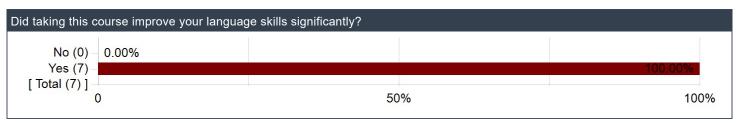
Prof Hooper is incredibly organized and kind. I have learned a surprising amount of German in a low-stress environment.

Dr. Hooper was always extremely engaging and supportive. She made the class very fun and productive for all students.

She was great at explaining everything thoroughly and with a lot of enthusiasm. I felt that she also corrected our pronunciations an appropriate amount

Professor Hooper has, over both terms, inspired me to look into the German language and German culture outside of class time! She is helpful, patient, kind, listens to feedback, adaptable, and makes learning engaging.

## Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



## In what way?

#### Comments

I'm a better speaker, reader, and listener in German than when I started.

I knew no German at all in September and now I know a lot. Prof Hooper is amazing and singlehandedly the reason I will take an entire year of German and go into history grad school already with some proficiency and able to read primary sources.

I think I have much better skills in all areas. 102 gave me much more vocab and grammar to express many more things than I was able to after 101.

I feel much more confident speaking and understanding German. I can express very simple ideas and hold a very basic conversation in German.

It challenges you while giving you plenty of opportunities to learn.

## How would you improve this course?

#### Comments

I'd extend the due dates for the Aufsatz by one class. I felt like the due dates got pushed back a couple of times because we hadn't received our graded 1st drafts yet, and I feel that it would be easier to keep track of if we didn't have to think about whether that date was pushed. Super minor change though, it really wasn't a problem and is nothing compared to the late grading from other professors! We never received grades back more than a day or two after they were expected and almost always on time.

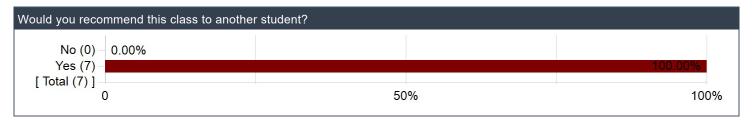
Der/Die/Das has very helpful exercises but I find the explanations confusing especially compared to Prof Hooper's very clear and simple explanations in class. Maybe it would be helpful to swap the order so that I can practice what was learned in class through the homework rather than puzzle through/make mistakes that I wouldn't have if I had already heard Prof Hooper's explanations.

Slightly more emphasis on reading comprehension might be good.

I would only suggest adding some more forms of media. I enjoyed Nico's Weg and some songs she played for us!

I wish there was a better way to achieve the same outcome from the rezitation.

## Would you recommend this class to another student?



#### Why?

#### Comments

It is an incredible learning experience and thoroughly enjoyable

It has been fun and productive and I feel like I have learned a ton.

Great class - very fun and it quickly teaches you quite a bit of German, without being an overwhelming amount of work

Professor Hooper is very gentle yet firm in her instructing style. If corrections need to be made, she does so without making students feel less than. Lastly, the course was incredibly fun and I feel that my skills have drastically improved.