## **Deutschkurs 102 Syllabus**

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Lehrbücher: Kontakte by Terrell- Tischner- Nikolai

Kontakte Arbeitsbuch (workbook) by Terrell-Tischner-Nikolai-Hirschfeld

Ausgelesene Lesetexte

Lektüre: Michal Endes Text: Lenchens Geheimnis

## **Course Introduction:**

German 102 is the second semester of the Elementary German sequence: a systematic introduction to basic German. All four language skills: **speaking, listening comprehension, reading, and writing** are stressed to ensure that students acquire a basic command of German and an understanding of German culture. Classes are conducted in German, except when explanations of grammar and other material require the use of English.

<u>Teaching method</u> A variety of teaching techniques are used. Classroom activities are designed to help students master basic German structures by providing daily opportunities to actively use new material in practical communicative situations. Throughout this course, the instructor emphasizes **effective** communication through linguistic accuracy. The instructor stresses a communicative approach which highlights critical reading and writing from the outset. Creativity, breadth of expression (through syntax and vocabulary) and variations of language (style) in different social context and for different tasks are critical to long term achievement.

Different learners have different learning strategies and styles. It is the instructor's goal to help every student to find his or her own best learning techniques. The classroom is a collaborative and supportive context.

## **Course Goals**

Upon completion of German 102, students who have attended classes regularly and successfully completed all assignments and all exams ( with a minimum grade of B-) should be able to do:

- able to use German creatively and independently, based on thorough preparation in four language modalities:
  - listening, speaking, reading, and writing;
- provide basic information in German about themselves, families, interests, likes and dislikes, daily activities;
- understand and participate in a simple conversation on everyday topics, such as exchanging cultural information, incorporating broader cultural knowledge into a variety of topics and issues:
- read edited texts, understand the main ideas, and pick out important information from a variety of cultural texts;

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- write letters, notes, summaries, compositions, or messages providing simple information;
- provide information about German-speaking countries (e.g., geography, historical events, and customs);
- use and understand a range of essential vocabulary related to everyday life;
- pronounce German well enough and produce German with enough grammatical accuracy to be comprehensible to a German speaker accustomed to speaking with non-natives;
- familiar with authentic materials and audio-visual resources including the World Wide Web.

## **Course Requirements: Please not the following information!**

The successful student in this course will be the student who:

<u>Class Participation</u> is graded on a daily basis, you are required to participated in pair and/or group work on a regular basis in order to improve speaking skills.

<u>Class attendance:</u> Students are allowed only <u>three</u> unexcused absences. Each further unexcused absence will count as one point, which will be subtracted from the final examination. If you miss class, it is your responsibility to find out what material was covered in class during your absence and to keep up with the current assignments and classroom materials. A student who is not prepared for class will receive a zero for class participation for that day. The instructor is under no obligation to accept late homework assignments.

**Homework** assignments include written assignments as well as exercises and activities to prepare for oral presentation during class. Oral presentation is just as important as all written work and will greatly improve your ability to participate during class.

<u>Language lab is mandatory</u>. Each student is expected to attend language lab three times per week. Each attendance should not last more than 30 minutes. The tutor is in attendance in the language lab.

Audio and video cassette available at the main desk of the library. PLEASE SIGN IN THE DAY AND TIME WHEN YOU BEGIN AND WHEN YOU FINISH.

<u>Chapter tests</u> each test emphasizes the material contained in the chapter and it includes:

- a) dictation
- b) listening comprehension
- c) vocabulary
- d) grammar
- e) reading comprehension

- f) writing
- g) questions and answers

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The components of a) **reading comprehension**, and b)**questions and answers** will be done on an individual basis with the instructor in her office.

<u>Essays</u> will be written approximately every two weeks. Students are expected to write a coherent text @ 150 words of German 102 on an assigned topic. The student should use the vocabulary and structures he or she has learned and practiced in class. This is an opportunity to demonstrate how well you can use the language you are learning; there is no need for extensive use of the dictionary to find new vocabulary words.

Essays will be graded on:

- a) comprehensibility
- b) quality of content/information
- c) use of familiar vocabulary, and
- d) grammatical accuracy.

**Each essay will be written twice.** On version one, students receive comments about content and grammatical errors. The second version should incorporate the instructor's suggestions and the appropriate corrections.

<u>Portfolio</u>: The central feature of portfolios is that these samples of evidence demonstrate the progress you make toward self-defined objectives whose attainment requires creativity, self-discipline and inter-disciplinarity.

At the end of the semester your portfolio should contain:

- a) 3 essays demonstrating rewrites as indicated by the instructor's first evaluation of the essay,
- b) 1 oral presentation,
- c) an outline of your final project,
- d) an individual vocabulary list, and examples of how you are using these words, and
- e) self-evaluation.

Each sample entry in the portfolio must be accompanied by a brief reflection on how and why you chose this document to be in the portfolio, how it was created and in what capacity each one documentation is a step in your learning experience.

AT ALL TIMES THE STUDENT IS BOUND INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF CLASS BY THE OXFORD COLLEGE HONOUR CODE. ANY VIOLATION OF THE HONOUR ACADEMIC CODE WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE HONOUR COUNCIL (transcriptions

## and translations from a web site are considered a case of plagiarism if the student does not document fully the material)

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- **Grading system:** the final grade will be indicated with a plus/minus grade.
- ♦ Class Participation (10%) Missing more than 3 class instructions will result in a lowered final examination grade.
- ♦ Homework (5%) Workbook and oral lab exercises are corrected daily in class. The workbook and oral tapes will returned for a grade to the instructor at the end of the semester. Homework assignments are given in class at the end of each class period.
- ♦ Chapter tests (25%) No make-up tests will be given. If you miss a test, your grade is 0. Each written chapter test is 70% of the test grade, while the oral examination is 30% of the test grade.
- Essays (20%) All five essays must be submitted on the due date. No late work will be accepted.
- ♦ Midterm exam(10%) the mid-term examination is cumulative.
- ♦ Final exam (10%) the final exam is cumulative. Students must pass the final exam in order to pass the course!
- Interactive partner project (5%) Towards the end of the semester this "project", which will last approximately 10 minutes, allows the student :
  - a) to have the chance to support extended language use creatively, through visual aid, prepared text and to receive feed back from the instructor about content and organization of presentation prior to the class presentation.
  - b) to have the opportunity to plan with a partner an extended speaking task, thereby enhancing the complexity and accuracy of language use of each student.
  - c) to gain knowledge about an area of their interest and to convey that knowledge to the class.

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<sup>&</sup>quot; Final oral interview (5%). The final oral interview will take place when the final examination has been completed.

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# **COURSE CALENDAR**

Day Jan.16 Mitt. an. 17	In-Class Einfuehrung. Kap. 5 "Bildung, Ausbildung, Arbeit." Kap. 5 Geographie und Geschichte: Bayern und Baden-Wuerttemberg
Ion 22 Ma	EEDIEN
Jan. 22 Mo. Jan. 23 Diens.	FERIEN  Van 5 1 Aufgestg/Prief: "Sie studieren in Muenehen und hehen nette
Jan. 25 Diens. Jan. 24 Mitt.	<ul><li>Kap. 5 1. Aufsatz/Brief: "Sie studieren in Muenchen, und haben nette</li><li>Kap. 5 Personen kennengelernt. Sie verbringen viel Zeit mit ihren</li></ul>
Jan. 25 Donn.	Kap. 5 Freunden. Schreiben Sie einen Brief an Ihre Eltern, und erzaehlen Sie
Jan. 25 Dom.	ueber Ihre neuen Freunde" Final version due Feb. 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2002
Jan. 28. Mo.	Kap. 5
Jan. 29 Diens.	Kap. 5 Lesen: "Lenchens Geheimnis" Seiten 5-20.
Jan. 30 Mitt.	Kap. 5 Pruefung
jan. 31 Donn.	Kapitel. 6 ''Wohnen und Wohnkultur''
	<u> </u>
Feb. 4. Mon.	Kap. 6 Geographie und Geschichte: das Land Brandenburg und Berlin.
Feb. 5 Diens.	Kap. 6 <b>2.Aufsatz:</b> Schreiben Sie Ihren persoenlichen Steckbrief." (Deutsch im
	Beruf) Final version due Feb. 21rst.,2002
Feb. 6 Mitt.	Kap. 6
Feb. 7 Donn.	_Kap. 6
Feb.11 Mo.	Kap. 6
Feb. 12 Diens.	Kap. 6 Lesen: "Lenchens Geheimnis" Seiten 21-35
Feb. 13 Mitt.	Kapitel 6 Pruefung.
Feb. 14 Donn.	Kapitel 7 "Durch Stadt und Land."
Feb. 18 Mo.	Kap. 7 Geographie und Geschichte: die Laender Mecklenburg-
	Vorpommern, Schleswig-Holstein, und Hamburg.
Feb. 19 Diens.	Kap. 7 <b>3.Aufsatz</b> : "Meine Ferienreise" Wohin geht Ihre naechste Reise? Wann?
Feb. 20 Mitt.	Kap. 7 Wo uebernachten Sie dann, und warum? Wo sind Sie das letzte Mal
Feb. 21 Donn.	Kap. 7 gewesen? Final version due March 5th.2002.

Feb. 25 Mon. Kap. 7

Feb. 26 Diens. Kap. 7

Feb. 27 Mitt. Kapitel 7 Pruefung

Feb. 28 Frei. Kap. 8 "Kindheit und Jugend." Lesen "Lenchens Geheimnis" seiten 36-46

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Kap. 8 Maerz 4 Mon. Maerz 5 Diens. Kap. 8

Maerz 6. Mitt. Kap. 8 Geographie und Geschichte: die Laender Nordrhein-Westfalen, Rheinland-Pfalz, und Saarland.

Maerz 7 Donn. Kap. 8 **4. Aufsatz:** Herman Hesses Gedicht: "Im Nebel" Eine Interpretation

Widelz / Doil	ii. <b>1xu</b> p. 0	Final version due March 27 <sup>th</sup> .,2002
Maerz 11 Mon.	bis Maerz 1	5. Frei. FRUEHLINGSSEMESTER FERIEN
Maerz. 18 Mon	n. Kap. 8	3
Maerz 19 Die	ens. Kap. 8 '	'Kindheit und Jugend."
Maerz 20 Mitt.	<u>mid-term</u>	examination cap. 5-6-7-8-
Maerz 21 Doni	n. <b>Kapitel</b>	9 "Esskultur und Geselligkeit"
Maerz 25 Mo.	Kap. 9	Lesen: "Lenchens Geheimnis" Seiten 47-56. reply to the questions on pages 58-59.
Maerz 26 Dies	ns. Kap. 9	Geographie und Geschichte: das Land Niedersachsen
Maerz 27 Mit	tt. Kap. 9	<b>5.Aufsatz: "Maikaefer flieg!" von Christine Nostlinger.</b> Diese Erzaehlung wird aus der Perspektive eines jungen Maedchens erzaehlt. Wo sind im text beispiele fuer Optimismus? Final version due on April 15 <sup>th</sup> .2002
Maerz 28 Don	n. Kap. 9	r
April 1 Mo.	Kap. 9	Geographie und Geschichte: Die Laender Thueringen und
		Hessen.
April 2 Diens.		
April 3 Mitt.	Kap. 9 PF	
April 4 Donn.	Kapitel 10	"Reisen und Erholung"
April 8 Mo.	Kap. 10	
April 9 Diens.	Kap. 10	Geographie und Geschichte " Die Laender Sachsen und Sachsen-Anhalt
April 10 Mitt.	Kap. 10	
April 11 Donn	Kap. 10	
April 15. Mo.	Kap. 10	Klassendiskussion: Zusammenfassung von Geographie und

Geschichte: ein persoenliches Bild Deutschlands.

April 16. Diens. Kap. 10 Fortsetzung: Klassendiskussion

April 17 Mitt. Kap. 10 PRUEFUNG

April 18 Donn. **no class** 

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April 22. Mo. Kap. 11 April 23 Diens. Kap. 11

April 24 Mitt. Kap. 11 Presentations in the afternoon April 25 Frei. Kap. 11 Presentations in the afternoon

April. 29 Mo. Kap. 11

April 30. Diesn. Kap. 11 Wiederholung des Kurses Ende des Kurses

# **SEMESTER ABSCHLUSS**

Abschlusspruefungen vom 2. bis 3. Mai und vom 6 bis 8. Mai, 2002

Commencement 11 Mai, 2002

## SCHOENE SOMMERFERIEN!!!