ALTEC GERMAN

German Advanced Conversation

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INTRODUCTION & LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Welcome to German Advanced Conversation!

In this class, you will continue to develop skills for communicating in German. This is an interactive class, where we use the language to explore meaning and talk about a variety of rotating topics and themes.

We also aim to build intercultural competence by critically examining our own perspectives and comparing them to those of others.

Level Description

In Advanced Conversation, students use the language creatively and become able to successfully handle a variety of complicated communicative and written tasks. Students become able to form full paragraphs in German in order to narrate and describe events and experiences across all major areas of communication and to contribute to a conversation on a substantive topic, for example, the Berlin Wall, with accuracy and clarity.

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Course Structure

Each week you will engage in two live class sessions (either in-person, or remotely via Zoom) with the instructor and other students. This class time will be structured with interactive conversation activities and games.

How to get the most out of this class

One of the ALTEC advantages is affordability. Students are not required to purchase materials. Instead, instructors provide a variety of resources, including learning guides, online and/or open-source curricula, and multi-modal language resources. This is integral to our program, as our classes are customized to meet our students' unique learning needs. Many of these resources are linked to the right and you will have access to a number of additional materials in Canvas.

We recognize that each student has their own learning style and language-learning goals. So, you might think about the collection of materials provided by your instructor as a sort of buffet—use what works best for you to meet your own particular learning goals.

MATERIALS

Quizlet

You will use this site/app for vocabulary study.

Grenzenlos Deutsch

This is a no-cost alternative to current, more traditional textbooks in the field. It mixes materials rooted in real-world, contemporary communication scenarios, multimedia content, and online learning activities.

Easy German YouTube Channel

This is a recommended video series to help you learn German.

Canvas

Here you will find extra grammar materials, cultural activities, practice quizzes (optional), discussion pages, etc.



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week	communicative goals	vocabulary	practice activities
1	Welcome General review of Intermediate II		Wiederholung von Vergangenheitsformen: das Perfekt und das Präteritum
	The German Fairytale Route	Das ist aber Grimm! Das ist aber Grimm2	Die Deutsche Märchenstraße
2	Märchen damals und heute	<u>Märchen</u>	Komparativ & Superlative von Adjektiven und
	Infinitives and Participles	<u>Märchenwald</u>	<u>Adverbien</u>
	Comparatives, Superlatives, & Adjective Endings	<u>In Hollywood</u>	
3	Deutsche Spiele	<u>Gesellschaftsspiele</u>	German Imperative Forms
	Imperative Mood		Spiel des Jahres
	Die Berliner Mauer	<u>Deutsche</u> <u>Geschichten</u>	Stiftung Berliner Mauer
4	Ost-West- Perspektiven Temporal Prepositions	Ost-West Geschichten	
	Ordinal Numbers		



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5	Die Wende und Einheit (?) Leseverständnis & Schreiben	<u>Die Wende</u>	May Ayim's Legacy Mehr über May Ayim Grenzenlos & Unverschämt Peggy Pietsche
6	Soziale Gerechtigkeit Migration/Integration, Hunger, Obdach- losigkeit, Alter, Behinderung, Umwelt, usw.	Migranten Flüchtlinge Behinderung Klimawandel	Grenzenlos Deutsch: Soziale Gerechtigkeit
7	Wie wäre es wenn? Subjunctive Mood Infinitive Clauses (umzu) Future tense	Ideen für Morgen Soziale Innovationen	Konjunktiv II
8	Student project presentations		

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

Students and faculty are responsible for maintaining an appropriate learning environment in all instructional settings, whether in person, remote or online. ALTEC celebrates and welcomes students from all walks of life. We strive to make our virtual and in-person classes an inclusive and safe space for all regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, disability, and veteran status. We welcome all aspects of people and celebrate and honor diversity.

CU Boulder recognizes that students' legal information doesn't always align with how they identify. Let your instructor know if you have a preferred name and pronouns.

Netiquette (Net-Etiquette)

If a breakout room conversation or situation becomes uncomfortable for you, you are welcome to leave and return to the main room. Remember that we have a wide variety of people in our language class who may come from very different backgrounds and lived experiences than you. Let's keep this in mind in our class and breakout room conversations. If you choose to leave a breakout room, please notify your instructor so they can address the issue in a way that is respectful to you and the other learners.

Accommodations for Disabilities

The University of Colorado is committed to providing universal access to all of our classes and events. For disability accommodations (e.g., sign language interpreters, alternative formats) please <u>register with Disability Services</u> by first submitting an <u>Application for Accommodations</u> as soon as possible. Advance notice is necessary to arrange for some accessibility needs.

