

Final Year German

The goals of the Final Year programme in German are:

1. to consolidate the German language skills acquired in on the Year Abroad and develop them to an advanced level, and
2. to broaden and deepen students' understanding of the culture of the German-speaking countries by giving them the opportunity to focus on those areas of language, history, and literature that they are particularly interested in.

With these goals in mind, the Final Year programme is divided into (a) core modules and (b) optional modules.

(a) Core Modules: The core modules are the basic components of the Second Year programme.

- **Language:** The language courses GN310 and GN320 are compulsory for all students of German. The core language courses are taught through small-group teaching, conversation classes and aural language labs. Students will focus on putting their language skills into practice through writing longer essays and commentaries in German. The language courses will be examined through continuous assessment, and oral and written examinations. Please note: both language modules are 'required modules'; students have to pass both the oral and written end-of-semester exams of both modules.
- **Important Note:** For those students potentially interested in becoming a secondary school teacher with German as one of their subjects, the Teaching Council of Ireland requires that 15 ECTS credits during the course of their German degree are taken in modules relating to literature and/or film.

(b) Optional Modules: Each student can also tailor his/her programme to suit his/her preferences by choosing from a number of optional courses. The number of options depends on which programme he/she is registered for.

- **BA** students choose four options, two in each semester.
- **BA European Studies** students choose two options, one in each semester.
- **BA (Minor)** students choose two options, one in each semester.

Please note:

- Places in optional modules are allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

Final Year modules (2019-20)

First Semester

Compulsory: [GN310](#) Grundkurs Sprache 5 (5 ECTS)

Options: [GN311B](#) Engaging with German-language culture 3A (5 ECTS) (max. 24 students)

[GN314A](#) Translation English-German (5 ECTS) (max. 24 students)

[GN319A](#) Deutschsprachiger Film der Gegenwart (5 ECTS) (max. 24 students)

Second Semester

Compulsory: [GN320](#) Grundkurs Sprache 6 (5 ECTS)

Options: [GN321B](#) Engaging with German-language culture 3B (5 ECTS) (max. 24 students)

[GN325A](#) Medieval Studies (5 ECTS) (max. 24 students)

[GN327A](#) Literary Translation (5 ECTS) (max. 24 students)

[GN328A](#) German Linguistics (5 ECTS) (max. 24 students)

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