GERMAN CULTURE CLUSTER

Courses

EFR

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evaluate how France and Germany are united in their many layers of diversity along ethnic
and religious lines, and questions of gender and sexual orientation. Readings and screenings
culturally significant texts along with onsite visits and discussions will help students
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EGE 323. Austrian Civilization. 3 Credits.
An interdisciplinary study of Austrian civilization, focusing on Vienna 1848-1938. The
relationship of selected cultural and intellectual developments to their political and social
contexts. This course employs the perspective of many disciplines but is specifically concerned
with the humanities and visual arts.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster, Interdisciplinary
Requirement.
Typically offered in Fall & Spring.

EGE 404. Artists as Conscience: Postwar Lit/Film. 3 Credits.
An examination of the political and social issues of contemporary Germany through an analysis
of literary and cinematic texts. Discussion topics include the Holocaust, Nazism, the Second
World War, the Economic Miracle, the Cold War, terrorism, the feminist and peace movements,
atOMIC warfare, and German reunification and its aftermath. No knowledge of German
required.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster.

EGE 405. German Film: Expressionism to Contemporary German Film. 3 Credits.
An analysis of German films from Expressionism to the present. Students shall examine
the films in terms of their political and social context and as works of art. Directors include
Fritz Lang, Murnau, Wiene, Fassbinder, Herzog, Schliendorff, von Trotta, and Wenders. No
knowledge of German required.
Gen Ed Attribute: Arts Distributive Requirement, Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany
Culture Cluster, Writing Emphasis.
Typically offered in Fall.

EGE 409. Impact of Holocaust on Lit and Film. 3 Credits.
This course studies the causes and effects of the Holocaust through literary, philosophical, and
cinematic works of post-war Europe and America. No knowledge of German required.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster.

GEO

GEO 303. Geography of Europe. 3 Credits.
A survey course focusing on the regional geography of Europe. The course includes and
examination of the physical environment, cultural traditions, lifestyles, economies, urban
environment and political change throughout the region.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, France & Francophone Area Culture
Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster, Italy (Italian) Culture Cluster.
Distance education offering may be available.
Typically offered in Fall, Spring & Summer.

HIS

HIS 323. Austrian Civilization. 3 Credits.
An interdisciplinary study of Austrian civilization, 1848-1938. Emphasis is placed on fin-de-
siecle Vienna, not only as its pivotal role in Austrian culture but also as a testing ground for
modernism in the West.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster, Interdisciplinary
Requirement.
Typically offered in Fall & Spring.

HIS 423. Modern Germany. 3 Credits.
Germany in the 19th and 20th centuries: Napoleonic era, rise of Prussia, nationalism and
unification, imperialism and World War I, National Socialism, World War II, and divided
Germany.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster.
Typically offered in Fall.

PHI

PHI 272. History of Modern Philosophy. 3 Credits.
From Descartes to Hegel. The social, political, and scientific impact of the philosophers.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster.
Typically offered in Spring.

PHI 273. 19th Century Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Hegel and German Idealism; decisive influences on European and American literature
and thought. Survey of the chief themes of Schopenhauer, Comte, Mill, Spencer, Marx,
Kierkegaard, Darwin, and Nietzsche.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster.
Typically offered in Spring.

PSC

PSC 342. European Politics. 3 Credits.
Comparative analysis of political cultures, parties, and decision-making processes in principal
European political systems. Strong focus on major European nation states: France, Germany,
UK and Italy. Additional attention given to the European Union.
Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, France & Francophone Area Culture
Cluster, Germany Culture Cluster, Italy (Italian) Culture Cluster.
Typically offered in Fall & Spring.