



School of English, Journalism  
& European Languages

## Unit Outline

HEG315  
ADVANCED GERMAN A  
Semester I, 2008  
<http://www.utas.edu.au/german/>

<b>Convenor:</b>	Dr Eva Meidl Room: 571 Phone: 6226 2019 Email: E.Meidl@utas.edu.au
<b>Consultation Hours:</b>	Monday 10.00am – 10.50am Tuesday 10.00am – 10.50am Thursday 10.00am – 10.50am
<b>Unit Description:</b>	This is an advanced language unit which deepens students' German language competency. The four language skills are broadened and further training is provided in reading and aural comprehension, speaking and writing. Work with authentic material and videos supports this integrated approach to language learning.
<b>Unit Aims and Objectives:</b>	Further deepens students' German language competency by providing training in reading and aural comprehension, speaking and writing.
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	Ideal conditions prevailing, students' four language skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing in German will approach an advanced level.
<b>Required Texts:</b>	Dreyer and Schmitt: <i>A Practice Grammar of German</i> , new edition, Hueber, München, 2001.
<b>When Taught:</b>	Monday 12.00 -12.50 pm SocSci581 Tuesday 12.00 -12.50 pm SocSci581 Thursday 12.00 - 12.50 pm SocSci581
<b>Assessment:</b>	Weekly exercises 20% 2 tests (20% each) 40% <u>1 x 700 word written assignment in German 40%</u> 100%

## LECTURE/SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Week Beginning	Topic	Lecturer
1. Week	Topic: Einführung/sich kennenlernen Grammatik: Demonstrative Pronouns	Dr Meidl
2. Week	Topic: Deutschland heute Grammatik: Indefinite Pronouns	
3. Week	Topic: Deutschland heute Grammatik: Numerals <b>Monday, 10. March Public Holiday</b>	
4. Week	Topic: Deutschland heute Grammatik: Declension of the Adjective  <b>20-26. March Easter Vacation</b>	
5. Week	Topic: Sich benehmen Grammatik: Comparison of Adjectives and Adverbs	
6. Week	Topic: Sich benehmen – <b>1. Test, 20%</b> Grammatik: Adjectives and participles as Nouns	
7. Week	Topic: Sprichwörter/Weisheiten Grammatik: Adverbs	
8. Week	Topic: Sprichwörter/Weisheiten Grammatik: Adverbs with the Dativ or Accusative Case <b>Friday, 25. April Public Holiday</b>	
9. Week	Topic: Verschiedenes Grammatik: Adverbs with Prepositions	
10. Week	Topic: Verschiedenes Grammatik: The "Zusantpassiv"	
11. Week	Topic: Verschiedenes Grammatik: The Participle Construction	
12. Week	Topic: Wissenschaft Grammatik: Participial Clauses	
13. Week	Topic: Wissenschaft - <b>2. Test, 20%</b> Grammatik: "haben" and "sein" with "zu"	
<b>Study period: 2 June – 6 June 2008</b>		

# ASSIGNMENTS

**Write a research essay of 700 words in German on one of the topics below. Make sure you footnote the essay appropriately and that you provide a bibliography. If you use internet resources, print out and attach the relevant pages to your essay.**

**The essay is due in week 12 of Semester I.**

Topics:

1. Mein deutscher Lieblingsautor
2. Mein deutscher Lieblingskomponist
3. Die Geschichte Berlins, Wiens, Münchens,.....
4. Deutsche Popmusik
5. Meine Erfahrungen in Deutschland (Austausch etc)
6. Deutsche Entdecker in Australien, z.B. Ludwig Leichhardt, Ludwig Becker
7. Deutsche Maler in Australien, z.B. Ferdinand Müller, Ludwig Becker, Ferdinand Bauer
8. Deutsche Forscher in Australien: Gustav Nossal
9. Eine Filmbesprechung, z.B. *Goodbye Lenin*, *Lola rennt*
10. Wie Deutsch ist Salamanca? (Wursthaus, Bratwurst, Café ZUM, Café Strudl, Lederwaren in Salamanca, Kasperlehaus, Bauers Bäckerei)
11. Ehemalige deutsche Dörfer in Tasmanien, z.B. Germantown, Bismarck
12. Deutsche Schriftsteller in Australien, z.B. Elizabeth Jolly, Christopher Koch

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Submission of Assignments

Students are required to submit all assignments in this unit directly to their unit coordinator unless otherwise directed.

All assignments must be submitted in hard-copy (not by email, unless otherwise directed). Students are required to keep copies of all submitted assignments.

### Difficulties with your Studies

If you are experiencing difficulties with your studies or assignments, have personal or life planning issues, disability or illness which may affect your course of study, you should raise these with your lecturer and/or one of the following Student Services staff as soon as possible:

- Learning Skills Adviser
- Disability Adviser
- Careers Adviser
- Student Counsellor

### University Statement on Plagiarism and Academic Integrity

**"Plagiarism** is a form of cheating. It is taking and using someone else's thoughts, writings or inventions and representing them as your own; for example, using an author's words without putting them in quotation marks and citing the source, using an author's ideas without proper acknowledgment and citation, copying another student's work.

If you have any doubts about how to refer to the work of others in your assignments, please consult your lecturer or tutor for relevant referencing guidelines, and the academic integrity resources on the web at <http://www.utas.edu.au/tl/supporting/academicintegrity/index.html>.

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**The University and any persons authorised by the University may submit your assessable works to a plagiarism checking service, to obtain a report on possible instances of plagiarism. Assessable works may also be included in a reference database. It is a condition of this arrangement that the original author's permission is required before a work within the database can be viewed.**

### Marking Scale

The following distribution of marks and grades is applied in assessing your work:

- High Distinction (HD)—80-100%
- Distinction (DN)—70-79%
- Credit (CR)—60-69%
- Pass (PP)—50-59%
- Fail (NN)—0-49%

All marks are subject to moderation.

### Assessment Criteria

The following criteria apply to assessment of the essay:

- Grammatical correctness
- Syntax
- Choice of vocabulary
- Attention to expression, spelling, proof-reading.

### IT Support

Learning online—for online learning and Vista support – <http://www.utas.edu.au/courseonline/>  
Information Technology Services—for general IT Support (includes link to UTAS download website)

<http://www.utas.edu.au/servicedesk/student/index.html>

Library Services—for information literacy support – <http://www.utas.edu.au/library/>  
Help Desk (email [HelpDesk@utas.edu.au](mailto:HelpDesk@utas.edu.au) or 6226 1818, within University 1818)