

Mineral Area College  
PO Box 1000, Park Hills, MO 63601  
**Spring 2008**

**Course:** MFL 156X German Language & Culture I

**Credits:** 4 credit hours

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**Course Description:**

This course is designed primarily to provide students with the opportunity to learn the basic elements of the German language and develop a solid vocabulary base. Listening comprehension and speaking skills will be an integral part of classroom activities, web activities and testing.

Students will participate in three hours of ITV instruction and one hour of web-based learning activities.

**Course Objectives:**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will show competence in:

1. Vocabulary – both passive and active, Schritte through Kapitel 2.
2. Recognizing and understanding cognates.
3. Understanding and identifying parts of speech.
4. Word order in simple sentences.
5. Understanding and producing sounds made by vowels and diphthongs.
6. Conjugating regular and irregular verbs in the present tense.
7. Telling time.
8. The accusative case and accusative prepositions.
9. Understanding German culture, traditions and lifestyles.

**Required Text and Workbook:**

*Wie geht's?*, Sevin & Sevin, Thomson Heinle, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition.

**Attendance Policy:**

Students who are excessively absent can be dropped from the class. You are considered excessively absent when:

**ECC:** You have missed a class more times than the credit value of the course.

**Jeffco:** You miss more than 15% of total time (including lecture and lab) that a class meets in a term.

**MAC:** You have missed a class more times than the credit value of the course.

**Students who do not fully participate in the web-based aspect of this class will be dropped in for non-participation. "Attendance" is required for this part of the course.**

### Unconditional Requirements:

Every student must have and use an active e-mail account. Information, assignments and updates will be posted on the class page (<http://www.quia.com/pages/beginninggerman.html>) regularly. Students will be responsible for information and assignments sent to them via e-mail and posted on the class page. Web-based activities will be an integral part of this course.

All students are provided with e-mail accounts by their college. They may use their personal or college account according to policy at the college they attend. The instructor will use **the e-mail address that is provided by the student** at the beginning of the semester. Any student unfamiliar with this process may go to their college technology staff for help.

### Evaluation:

Schritte Test.....	10%
Chapter 1 Test .....	10%
Chapter 2 Test .....	10%
Comprehensive Final Exam .....	20%
Quizzes .....	20%
Class Participation* .....	10%
Oral Proficiency Test.....	5%
Web-based assignments** .....	15%

### Grading Scale:

A	90 – 100%
B	80 – 89%
C	70 – 79%
D	60 – 69%
F	Below 60%

\*Students who are absent will receive a zero for class participation each day they are absent. Absences impact your grade.

\*\* Assignments, whether web-based or otherwise, will not be accepted more than 2 days late and may be docked 5% at the discretion of the instructor.

**I have read and agree to the conditions described herein.**

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Printed Name of Student

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Signature of Student

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Date

### Honors Options:

At some colleges honors options are available to students who are interested and qualify. If you are interested, check with your college and if it is offered, schedule a visit with the instructor for more information.

**Policy for Disciplinary Action:** *Dishonesty, such as cheating, plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the college will result in one of the following: being allowed to drop if within the time limits or taking an F, or taking a zero on the test/assignment in question. The choice will be at the instructor's discretion.*

*Any student who feels (s)he may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability under the American's with Disabilities Act should contact me privately to discuss specific needs.*