

Duluth Campus

Teaching German B.A.A.

World Languages & Cultures, Education

College of Education and Human Service Professions

- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Spring 2022
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120
- Required credits within the major: 89
- Degree: Bachelor of Applied Arts

The bachelors of applied arts (B.A.A.) degree in teaching German prepares students to teach German (Grades K-12). The major aligns to the Minnesota Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board (PELSB) standards for German in grades K-12 in Minnesota. The B.A.A. in teaching German is offered through the Department of Education, in conjunction with the Department of World Languages and Cultures. This major prepares students to teach German from kindergarten through grade 12.

Note: Students pursuing both the German Studies BA and Teaching German BAA degrees must satisfactorily complete 12 non-overlapping upper division credits of German electives beyond the requirements for both degrees.

Students should utilize a What-if APAS Report as the official tool to see all requirements for degree completion. Due to the complexity of the admission to the blocks process, students are strongly encouraged to meet with their assigned academic advisor on a regular basis to establish a plan for program completion.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

Students must complete 45 credits before admission to the program.

Freshman and transfer students are usually admitted to pre-major status before admission to this major

A GPA above 2.0 is preferred for the following:

- 2.50 already admitted to the degree-granting college
- 2.50 transferring from another University of Minnesota college
- 2.50 transferring from outside the University

Students entering the STEP (5-12 & K-12) licensure programs are bound by the policies in effect at the time of application; admission is based on criteria established by the UMD Dept. of Educ, consistent with MN policies as established by the MN Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board (PELSB). Students must complete the following to be eligible for admission to Block coursework: a minimum of 2.5 major and cumulative GPA, lower division and upper division coursework with a grade of C- or better, liberal education requirements, advanced writing and all requirements outlined online at: <https://z.umn.edu/stepapplication>. Applications are due the 6th Friday of the semester prior to starting Block I. Application for admission can be only completed spring semester for fall semester entry into Block I. See advisor if out of sequence.

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the [Office of Admissions website](#).

Required prerequisites

Learning in Community (1 cr)

Requirement will be waived for transfer students with at least 30 credits taken post high school, for UMD students who started in a UMD collegiate unit where this is not required, and upon request for first-year students with 30 PSEO credits.

or [UST 1000](#) - Learning in Community (1.0 - 2.0 cr)

or [EHS 1000](#) - Into the World [GLOBAL PER] (3.0 cr)

or [ES 1000](#) - Global Cultural Perspectives on Environmental Sustainability [GLOBAL PER] (3.0 cr)

or [LING 1000](#) - Language and Culture in the U.S. What does it Mean to Speak American [CDIVERSITY] (3.0 cr)

or [PSY 1100](#) - Living Your Best Life: Applying Positive Psychology [CDIVERSITY] (3.0 cr)

Lower Division(19 cr)

Students may be exempted from part of the lower division requirements if they have previously completed German language coursework. Dept of World Languages and Cultures determines exemptions based on acceptance of transfer credits and work done in secondary school. Exemption does not necessarily carry credits towards the 120 credits needed for graduation. It is recommended students take LING 1811 for Liberal Education Logic and Quantitative Reasoning.

[EDUC 1101](#) - Education in Modern Society [LE CAT7, HUMANITIES] (3.0 cr)
[GER 1101](#) - Beginning German I [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)
[GER 1102](#) - Beginning German II [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)
[GER 1201](#) - Intermediate German I [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)
[GER 1202](#) - Intermediate German II [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)

Upper Division (9 cr)

By the second semester, sophomore year students start upper division major courses and plan for application to the secondary teacher education program (STEP).

[EDUC 3412](#) - The Computer in Education (3.0 cr)
[HLTH 3202](#) - Drug Education (2.0 cr)
[WRIT 3140](#) - Advanced Writing: Human Services (3.0 cr)

Upper Division German (20 cr)

Some of the upper division German courses may be transferred from another college or earned abroad, but at least two courses must be taken at University of Minnesota Duluth or a UMD affiliated study abroad program where credit counts as coursework at UMD.

Take 20 or more credit(s) from the following:

- [GER 3302](#) - Advanced Composition and Conversation [COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 3401](#) - Texts and Contexts in German Speaking World [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 3403](#) - Page and Stage: German Theater and Performance [FINE ARTS] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 3407](#) - Sustainability in German-speaking Cultures [SUSTAIN] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 3601](#) - German Studies I: Knights to Nationalisms [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 3602](#) - German Studies II: From the Rise of the Reich to the Fall of the Wall [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 4302](#) - German Women Writers and Filmmakers [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 4305](#) - German Cinema [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 4404](#) - Contemporary Germany [HUMANITIES, GLOBAL PER] (4.0 cr)
 - [GER 4502](#) - German Modernisms: From Vienna to Berlin [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- Any upper division GER courses may be taken with advisor approval prior to enrollment.

General Requirements

The Board of Regents, on recommendation of the faculty, grants degrees from the University of Minnesota. Requirements for an undergraduate degree from University of Minnesota Duluth include the following:

1. Students must meet all course and credit requirements of the departments and colleges or schools in which they are enrolled including an advanced writing course. Students seeking two degrees must fulfill the requirements of both degrees. However, two degrees cannot be awarded for the same major.
2. Students must complete all requirements of the [Liberal Education Program](#).
3. Students must complete a minimum of 120 semester credits.
4. At least 30 of the last 60 degree credits earned immediately before graduation must be awarded by UMD.
5. Students must complete at least half of their courses at the 3xxx-level and higher at UMD. Study-abroad credits earned through courses taught by UM faculty and at institutions with which UMD has international exchange programs may be used to fulfill this requirement.
6. If a minor is required, students must take at least three upper division credits in their minor field from UMD.
7. The minimum cumulative UM GPA required for graduation will be 2.00 and will include only University of Minnesota coursework. A minimum UM GPA of 2.00 is required in each UMD undergraduate major and minor. No academic unit may impose higher grade point standards to graduate.
8. Diploma, transcripts, and certification will be withheld until all financial obligations to the University have been met.

Program Requirements

1. Students are expected to make satisfactory progress each semester, including grades of C- or better in all courses required in the major and successfully achieve all standards aligned with assignments in each course.
2. Maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative and major GPA.
3. Demonstrate acceptable professional performance, including dispositions and teaching skills, in field placement; candidate proficiency is assessed throughout the teacher preparation courses by University faculty, University supervisors, and the cooperating teachers in all field experiences. The field experience assessment forms include knowledge, skills, and dispositions that are aligned to institutional and standards for all field experience.
4. Abide by the MN PELSB and UMD Dept. of Education Code of Ethics; and
5. Obtain an approved background check before being placed practicum, volunteering, or student teaching in schools and agencies. Students are required to obtain an approved background check every two years prior to placement in practicum, volunteering, or student teaching in schools and agencies. Proof of complete background check is required prior to any experience in public school and

- agency settings. Students are required to keep a printed copy of the background check to provide to the school or agency, if necessary.
6. Obtain personal liability insurance before being placed practicum, volunteering, or student teaching in schools and agencies. Students are required to have professional liability insurance purchased through the Education Minnesota Student Membership annually while they are completing field placement. Students can purchase the liability insurance online at: <https://z.umn.edu/edmnstudentmembership>. A paper copy of the liability insurance MUST be provided to the UMD Department of Education when signing the placement contract each term.
 7. Seek out advising each term with assigned advisor throughout college career to ensure you are on track for program completion; and
 8. Adhere to university policies regarding attendance.
 9. Successfully complete an oral proficiency exam administered by the Department of World Languages and Cultures before student teaching.
 10. In addition to the above expectations, students must abide by all university policies (<http://d.umn.edu/academic-affairs/academic-policies>).
 11. Students are required to complete a program clearance process as part of the student teaching application to review their degree status with their advisor and the Accreditation office. Student teaching applications are due the 4th Friday of the semester. Learn more online at: <https://z.umn.edu/studentteach>. Students must have grades of C- or better in all required courses, and meet the required GPA in the major to be eligible for student teaching.
 12. Recommendation for licensure are based on successful completion of all program-related courses; demonstration of satisfactory outcomes required by the program; acceptable performance in field experiences, including student teaching (including final student teaching assessments); submission of the edTPA, completion of UMD Dept. of Education graduate exit survey, and successful completion of all tests required by PELSB.
 13. Study abroad is essential for success in learning German.
 14. Students are required to have professional liability insurance purchased through the Education Minnesota Student Membership annually while they are completing field placement. Students can purchase the liability insurance online at: <https://z.umn.edu/edmnstudentmembership>. A paper copy of the liability insurance MUST be provided to the UMD Department of Education when signing the placement contract each term.
 15. Students pursuing both the BA and BAA degrees in German must satisfactorily complete 12 non-overlapping upper division credits of German electives beyond the requirements for both degrees.

Block Requirements (40 cr)

Application for admission to the blocks is preferred to be completed spring semester for fall semester admission. Application for admission to the blocks must be submitted by the 6th Friday of the semester. Applications are available from the Department of Education website.

Block 1 (12 cr)

Typically, all courses must be taken concurrently (alternate schedules by program consent).

Students must have personal liability insurance and approved background check while in field placement settings. Consult advisor for additional upper division German course.

EDSE 4204 - Designing Learning Environments and Lessons (3.0 cr)

EDSE 4100 - Teaching in a Diverse Society (3.0 cr)

EDSE 4501 - Adolescent/Adult Development and Learning Theory (3.0 cr)

SPED 3415 - Special Education in the Secondary School (3.0 cr)

Block 2 (15 cr)

All courses must be taken concurrently. Liability insurance & approved background check must be complete. Application for student teaching due 4th Friday of this semester. Address Program Clearance with advisor. Block 2, take MTLE Content exams. At the end of Block 2, prior to starting Block 3, take MTLE Pedagogy exams. Consult advisor for additional upper division German courses. Oral Proficiency Exam must be completed prior to student teaching. EDUC 4040 offered spring semester only.

EDSE 3206 - Apprenticeship: Secondary School (2.0 cr)

EDSE 4214 - Teaching Content-Area Reading (3.0 cr)

EDSE 4525 - Assessment for Secondary Education (3.0 cr)

EDUC 4040 - World Language Teaching Methods (3.0 cr)

EDUC 4381 - Teaching Indigenous Students (3.0 cr)

Block 3 (13 cr)

Take all courses concurrently. Oral Proficiency Exam must be completed prior to student teaching. Liability insurance & approved background check must be complete. Students must have grades of C- or better in all required courses, meet the required GPA in the major, and complete at least 85% of teaching major courses to student teach. Students must register for EDSE 4600 for 12 credits. Students must complete and submit the edTPA for scoring as outlined in the course requirements of EDSE 4600.

EDSE 4600 - Student Teaching (3.0 - 24.0 cr)

EDUC 4500 - Professional Issues and Ethics (1.0 cr)

Oral Proficiency Exam

Students must successfully complete an oral proficiency exam administered by the Department of World Languages and Cultures before student teaching.