Twin Cities Campus

Austrian and Central European Studies Minor

German, Nordic, Slavic & Dutch

College of Liberal Arts

- Program Type: Undergraduate free-standing minor
- Requirements for this program are current for Spring 2023
- Required credits in this minor: 16 to 36

The minor allows students to focus a group of electives on the study of Austrian and Central European culture, history, and society. Courses address specific social and political circumstances, cultural traditions, and shared history of Austria and other countries of Central Europe. The minor is supported by the Center for Austrian Studies, student exchange programs with universities in Vienna, Salzburg, and Graz, and visiting Austrian scholars sponsored by the Austrian-American Education Commission.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

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

Admission Requirements

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the Office of Admissions website.

Required prerequisites

Beginning and Intermediate German

These courses, or equivalent, must be taken in sequential order. In select cases, students with advanced proficiency may be exempt from taking some or all of these courses. See the departmental advisor for more information.

Take 0 - 4 course(s) totaling 0 - 20 credit(s) from the following:

GER 1001 - Beginning German (5.0 cr)
GER 1002 - Beginning German (5.0 cr)
or GER 1022 - Beginning German Review (5.0 cr)
•GER 1003 - Intermediate German (5.0 cr)
•GER 1004 - Intermediate German (5.0 cr)

Minor Requirements

Students are required to take 4 semester(s) of German.

At least 3 upper-division credits in the minor must be taken at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus.

Students with a German, Scandinavian, Dutch major may elect a minor in Austrian and Central European Studies (ACES), but no courses may count for both the major and the minor.

Core Courses

Take exactly 2 course(s) totaling exactly 7 credit(s) from the following:

•GER 3011W - Conversation and Composition [WI] (4.0 cr)
•GER 3520 - Topics in Austrian and Central European Culture (3.0 cr)

Electives

Take 3 or more course(s) totaling 9 or more credit(s) from the following:

Art, Culture, and Literature

Take 2 or more course(s) totaling 6 or more credit(s) from the following:

•GSD 3511W - Vikings, Knights, and Reformers: German and European Culture and Controversies to 1700 [WI] (3.0 cr)
•GSD 3512W - Imagined Communities: German and European, Culture and Controversies, 1700 to Present [WI] (3.0 cr)
•CSCL 3412W - Psychoanalysis [WI] (3.0 cr)
•Other course approved by the department's director of undergraduate studies

•History, Politics, and Society

Take 1 or more course(s) totaling 3 or more credit(s) from the following:

•HIST 3746 - Game of Thrones: Emperors, Knights and Witches in Central Europe [HIS] (3.0 cr)
•HIST 3729 - Nazi Germany and Hitler's Europe (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3729 - Nazi Germany and Hitler's Europe (3.0 cr)
•HSCI 3611 - Enlightenment, Revolution, and the Rise of Modern Science [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or HSCI 5611 - Enlightenment, Revolution, and the Rise of Modern Science (3.0 cr)

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•Other course approved by the department's director of undergraduate studies

•Directed Study

Take no more than 1 course(s) from the following:

•GER 3993 - Directed Studies (1.0 - 4.0 cr)

•GER 5993 - Directed Studies (1.0 - 4.0 cr)

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