

El Paso Community College
Syllabus
Part II
Official Course Description

SUBJECT AREA	<u>Foreign Language</u>
COURSE RUBRIC AND NUMBER	<u>GERM 1411</u>
COURSE TITLE	<u>Beginning German I</u>
COURSE CREDIT HOURS	<u>4 3 2</u> Credits Lec Lab

I. Catalog Description

Introduces the basic principles of grammar. Includes pronunciation, oral practice, dictation, writing, and conversation. Also includes elementary readings dealing with cultural material. **(3:2). Lab Fee.**

II. Course Objectives

By the end of the course, the student will achieve a minimum performance level of 70% in the following areas:

- A. Recognize, and closely imitate and comprehend the sounds and intonation of German spoken at a normal speed and by various speakers.
- B. Practice oral skills using easily understood vocabulary, pronunciation, and intonation in both prepared and impromptu conversations with the instructor, with other students or in language laboratory exercises.
- C. Comprehend the reading of the texts presented, and participate in discussions of these texts.
- D. Write brief, simple paragraphs in the language, utilizing correct spelling and grammar.

III. Evaluation

A. Assessment

The instructor will maintain a continuous record of each student's progress on an institutionally approved grade sheet or computerized substitute. All instructors must keep records in such a way that information would be clear to a second party having to check grade computation in special cases. An explanatory legend should be provided on the grade sheet.

1. The evaluation of the exams should be based on the student's mastery of the assigned objectives. In addition to the dialogues, and vocabulary, it is essential that the instructor covers grammar in the course with a focus on continuous communication in the classroom.
2. A final examination is required.

3. Grading Percentages

Grade percentages for determining the course grade may be devised by the individual instructor.

4. Retakes and Make-up Exams and class Assignments.

At the instructor's discretion, students may be allowed to rewrite papers or retest for higher grades.

5. Grading Scale

100	-90	=	A	
80	-89	=	B	
70	-79	=	C	
60	-69	=	D	
50	-59	=	F	
Withdrawal		=	W	
Incomplete		=	I	← This grade is given only upon agreement between instructor and student.

IV. Disability Statement (Americans with/Disabilities Act [ADA])

EPCC offers a variety of services to persons with documented sensory, mental, physical, or temporary disabling conditions to promote success in classes. If you have a disability and believe you may need services, you are encouraged to contact the Center for Students with Disabilities to discuss your needs with a counselor. All discussions and documentation are kept confidential. Offices located: VV Rm C-112 (831-2426); TM Rm 1400 (831-5808); RG Rm B-201 (831-4198); NWC Rm M-54 (831-8815); and MDP Rm A-125 (831-7024)

V. 6 Drop Rule

Students who began attending Texas public institutions of higher education for the first time during the Fall 2007 semester or later are subject to a 6-Drop limit for all undergraduate classes. Developmental, ESL, Dual Credit and Early College High School classes are exempt from this rule. All students should consult with their instructor before dropping a class. Academic assistance is available. Students are encouraged to see Counseling Services if dropping because exemptions may apply. Refer to the EPCC catalog and website for additional information.

VI. Title IX and Sex Discrimination

Title 9 (20 U.S.C. 1681 & 34 C.F.R. Part 106) states the following "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) prohibits stalking, date violence, sexual violence, and domestic violence for all students, employees and visitors (male and female). If you have any concerns related to discrimination, harassment, or assault (of any type) you can contact the Assistant to the Vice President for Student and Enrollment Services at 915-831-2655. Employees can call the Manager of Employee Relations at 915-831-6458. Reports of sexual assault/violence may also be reported to EPCC Police at 915-831-2200.