

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary**

Course Prefix and Number: GER 102

Credits: 4

Course Title: Beginning German II

Course Description: Introduces understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills and emphasizes basic German sentence structures. Incorporates exposure to the arts, culture, and literature of the areas of the world where German is spoken. Part II of II. May include one additional hour of oral practice per week. Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of GER 101. Lecture 4 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of GER 101

Course Objectives:

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- a. Verb system: future and past perfect tenses, subjunctive mood, the passive voice;
- b. Modifiers: adjectives preceded by “der” and “ein” words, comparisons or adjectives and verbs, long attributes;
- c. Pronoun system: relative, demonstrative, possessive, prefixes, and suffixes; and
- d. Materials of current interest: a divided Germany, energy crisis, nuclear energy.

Major Topics to Be Included:

- a. Future tense, “werden,” “wurde,” adjectival endings
- b. Adjectives following “der” and “ein,” other adjectives, ordinal numbers
- c. Comparison of adjectives and adverbs, more on nouns, possessive pronouns
- d. Relative and demonstrative pronouns, prefixes, and suffixes
- e. Past perfect tense, compound nouns, suffixes and prefixes, cognates
- f. General subjunctive: weak, strong, and special verbs; alternates to subjunctive
- g. Passive voice: tenses, “man” as substitute, with modals; “ein” and “der” words as pronouns
- h. Readings on German history, West Germany, East Germany, the energy crisis, nuclear power plants

Effective Date of Course Content Summary: Summer 1989