



WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Harper College

Fall 2016

Western Michigan University Secondary Education - German Curriculum Guide

General information:

- A Secondary Provisional Certificate is valid for teaching German in grades K – 12 with the major and in grades 6 – 12 with the minor;
- Students must choose at least one teachable major and one teachable minor. For a list of **teachable majors and minors** see the content areas in secondary education on the WMU Secondary Education website;
- Students are encouraged to meet with a WMU education advisor as early as possible prior to transferring, for assistance with their choice of majors and minors;
- Course sequencing at WMU, in Secondary Education, requires at least 2 years to complete and a minimum of 60 credits of the overall degree must be completed at WMU;
- Students who choose **German** as their teaching major or minor will follow German department requirements for their major or minor. General Education and teacher preparation requirements are determined by the College of Education and Human Development (**CEHD**);
- All applicants intending to pursue a teaching program at WMU will be admitted into “pre-education” at the time of admission to WMU. After completion of the pre-professional requirements, pre-education students must apply to the upper level as indicated below;
- For students who started at Harper before Fall 2014, and will transfer directly to WMU, **your requirements may be different**. Please check with the CEHD advising office (contact information is listed below);
- At the end of their professional education program, students must complete a minimum of one semester of Internship (Student Teaching);
- Students must pass the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) test prior to the student teaching internship. Check with your WMU German advisors about the OPI.

Pre-Professional Requirements for Secondary Education CAS Majors:

After completion of the following requirements students should submit the Professional Education Admission Application for admission to upper professional level education courses:

- Completion of at least 60 credit hours;
- Completion of all WMU Intellectual Skills Development classes IF REQUIRED (e.g. MATH 1090, LS 1040, ENG 1000);
- Completion of an approved college level writing class;
- Completion of ES 2000 or an approved course with a grade of CB (2.5) or better;
- Achievement of a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better; **

- Achievement of passing scores on the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC)- Professional Readiness Exam (PRE) (#96), or passing by an alternate method. Please contact the CEHD advising office if you have questions. Students from states other than Michigan will have to take the test after they transfer to WMU;
- Completion of a background check through Castle Branch at portal.castlebranch.com/wc48 with Submission of Judgment of Sentence or Register of Action for any convictions, if necessary;
- Submission of a formal application to the Office of Admissions and Advising, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5275;
- Please visit the WMU College of Education website for additional information.

** Any student with a cumulative GPA between 2.75 and 2.99 who has met all of the other requirements may apply for provisional admission to the professional education program. Provisional admission decisions will be made by secondary education faculty and admission is not guaranteed.

Courses that can be taken at Harper:

WMU courses	Harper courses
GER 1000	GER 101
GER 1010	GER 102
GER 2000	GER 201
GER 2010	GER 202
GER 3170	GER 205
GER 3250	GER 210

Students who have had some contact with the language, either through high school coursework or through other experiences, must take the German online placement test found within the GoWMU portal. Students will need a Bronco ID and password to enter the portal and will be asked to give their Western Identification Number to take the placement exam.

Coursework to include six hours of preapproved courses taken abroad is required. These 6 credits can be taken as part of the required or elective hours. Exceptions to the study abroad requirement may be granted when circumstances do not permit it.

For students who want to MINOR in German, 24 credit hours beyond the 2000 level are required.

General education requirements:

- Please refer to the [WMU general education transfer guide](#) and talk with your WMU College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) advisor.

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