

Courses' Descriptions



Department of Foreign Languages, Translation & Interpreting

COURSE DESCRIPTION

1. GENERAL

SCHOOL	HUMANITIES			
DEPARTMENT	FOREIGN LANGUAGES, TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETING			
LEVEL	Undergraduate			
COURSE CODE	DE-4100	SEMESTER	4 th	
COURSE TITLE	Germanophone Countries: Civilizations and Cultures			
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	ECTS	
Lectures, Lab Lectures		2	4	
COURSE CATEGORY	Specific Background			
COURSE TYPE	Compulsory			
PREREQUISITES	-			
LANGUAGE OF TEACHING AND EXAMINATIONS	German / Greek			
THE COURSE IS OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS				
URL	https://dflti.ionio.gr/en/undergraduate-studies/courses/de-4100/			
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2. TEACHING RESULTS

Teaching Results

Upon successful completion of the course, the students will be able to:

- better understand the evolution of German culture through time
- explore cultural elements in relation to their role within the German society
- · recognize the elements of modern German culture as they appear in written and oral speech
- identify similarities and differences between German and Greek culture
- comprehend the diversity and uniqueness of the German mentality as it is reflected and shaped by German culture

General Skills

• Work in international environment

3. CONTENT

The German culture in comparison with Greek culture.

Week 1:

State and political system (Federal Republic of Germany, Federal States)

Week 2:

Gastronomic culture

Week 3:

Architecture, urban planning

Week 4:

Everyday life particularities and free time

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Week 5:				
Education and educational system (A')				
Week 6:				
Education and educational system (B')				
Week 7:				
Traditions and holidays (A')				
Week 8:				
Traditions and holidays (B')				
Week 9:				
Local particularities				
Week 10:				
Dominant mentality and basic life perceptions				
Week 11:				
Relation to national history, war and political and ideological violence				
Week 12:				
Germany and others. How Germans perceive themselves and others inside and outside of Germany.				

Other nations perception of Germany. Emphasis on Greece and the Greeks

4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION				
TEACHING METHOD	Face to face			
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES	Use of ICT in teaching			
TEACHING STRUCTURE	Activity Lectures Lab Lectures Projects Literature Study and Analysis Practice and Preparation Course Total (ECTS: 4)	Semester Workload 13 13 25 20 29 100		
EVALUATION OF STUDENTS	Written examination 60% Group Presentation 40%			

5. BIBLIOGRAPHY

Week 13:

Suggested reading:

Asfa-Wossen A. (2013), Deutsche Tugenden: von Anmut bis Weltschmerz. C.H. Beck Verlag.

Maletzke, G. (1996) Interkulturelle Kommunikation. Zur Interaktion zwischen Menschen verschiedener Kulturen. Opladen: Westdeutscher Verlag GMBH.

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Professor's notes

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