

German

Module descriptors for Inbound Students.

Name	Introduction To German Linguistics - From Sounds to Meaning
Code	GRU33151
Semester	Semester 1
ECTS credits	5
Pre-requisite	
Module Coordinator	Contact the Study Abroad Coordinator (German)

Module Content

Students will examine the core areas of linguistic analysis applied to German, beginning with phonetics and phonology, focusing on the German sound system, articulation features, phonological rules, and transcription using IPA. The module continues with morphology, covering word structure, inflectional patterns, and grammatical categories in nouns, verbs, and adjectives, before moving to grammar and syntax, where sentence structures, word order variations, case system, and grammatical functions are analysed.

Students will also investigate word formation processes such as compounding, derivation, conversion, and borrowing that expand German vocabulary, and explore semantics through meaning relationships between words, semantic fields, and lexical analysis.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, students will be able to:

- Identify and describe the distinctive phonetic and phonological features of German
- Analyse German words in terms of their morphological structure and formation processes
- Explain key grammatical and syntactic patterns of German and their functions
- Recognize semantic relationships and meaning structures in German
- Compare and contrast linguistic features of German with those of English

Assessment

In-class Test (100%)