

German

Module descriptors for Inbound Students.

Name	Innovative Approaches to Teaching German as a Foreign Language
Code	GRU44182
Semester	2
ECTS credits	5
Pre-requisite	None
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Module Content

The module introduces key concepts relating to the teaching and learning of German as a Foreign Language including teaching methods, materials design and development, digital tools for language learning and inclusive approaches to language teaching. Students will focus on particular grammar topics, exploring the target metalanguage and developing their ability to explain the phenomena in the target language.

The course emphasises experiential and inductive techniques that foster active learning through the development, implementation, and evaluation of engaging activities and lessons.

We will consider key themes in language teaching and learning research including universal design for learning, language and artificial intelligence, and language teaching in multilingual contexts.

Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete this module should be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of key concepts in teaching German as a foreign language
2. Critically assess the role of phenomena such as grammar, literature and digital media in language teaching and learning



3. Source, curate and create creative and innovative German language teaching activities
4. Explain complex linguistic phenomena through the target language using appropriate metalanguage and communication strategies.

Assessment

- Presentation (20%)
- Essay (80%)