UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Further Language Skills in Management Sciences I - German

2122-2-F7701M073

Learning objectives

Expansion on grammar and vocabulary to improve written and oral comprehension and to guarantee formal accuracy in writing and speaking. Special attention will be paid to specific needs within business communication.

Contents

Language, communication, financial and socio-cultural aspects

Detailed program

Official course: reading, discussion and translation of newspaper articles, videos and podcasts on politics, economics and culture

Language lessons

- All grammar topics covered in the course of *Lingua tedesca* (6 cfu), CDL triennale *Economia e Commercio* (see https://elearning.unimib.it/course/info.php?id=37153)
- *Plusquamperfekt*
- impersonal pronoun *man*
- coordinating conjunctions *und*, *aber*, *denn*, *deshalb*, *trotzdem*
- relative clauses;
- subordinate clauses with *damit*, *dass*, *wenn* e *weil*
- infinitive clauses;

- prepositional complements (*an wen*, *woran*, *daran* ecc.)
- correlative conjunctions (*sowohl … als auch*, *weder … noch*, *je … desto*)
- indefinite pronouns *jemand*, *niemand*, *etwas*, *alles*, *nichts*;
- *Konjunktiv II*
- reported speech;
- modal verb *sollen*
- passive voice

Prerequisites

Entrance level: B1 (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages)

Teaching methods

Language lessons: vocabulary and grammar

Official course: lectures on comprehension and translation, teamwork for presentations and discussion

Language lessons and official course are **complementary**!

During periods of health emergency, the course will be delivered online by the means of video-lessons and tutorials in streaming and by some previously recorded materials, according to current guidelines issued at that moment.

Assessment methods

Written and oral test with *pass* and *fail* evaluation without final grade

Written test

- grammar test (**including all topics of *Lingua tedesca, 6 cfu***)
- reading comprehension

Oral test

- conversation
- presentation, comment and discussion on one text prepared by the student
- reading and translation of one of the texts analyzed in the Corso monografico (text chosen by the teacher)

Note

During periods of health emergency, all tests will be organized completely online. The written test will be carried out on a specific platform, whereas the oral test will be organized as a video-conference using WebEx; the e-learning

page of the course will provide a public link which allows for participation of virtual audience.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Articles taken from newspapers and magazines, available on the e-learning platform under *Ulteriori conoscenze linguistiche - Tedesco*, undergraduate course *Business Administration*. For further information contact the teacher in charge.

Suggested grammar books with exercises (one choice)

- Paola Bonelli, Rosanna Pavan, *Grammatica attiva della Lingua tedesca*, Hoepli, 2012
- Marion Weerning, Mariano Mondello, *Dies und das. Grammatica di tedesco con esercizi*, Cideb, Genova, new edition 2004

- For self-study and enhancement of listening comprehension, students are advised to use all reading and listening materials on the pages of former years, too
- in the library of Università della Bicocca: *Deutsch perfekt*, magazine containing exercises of reading and listening comprehension (on audio CD and on the Internet) and vocabulary; various levels
- For grammar issues, refer also to the page CEL (collaboratore esperto linguistico) Walter Behrendt https://elearning.unimib.it/course/view.php?id=28669.

Semester

First semester (September 2021 to January 2022).

Teaching language

German and Italian