

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

# **German Language**

2223-2-E1801M053

# Learning objectives

- · Acquisition of basic morpho-syntax and elements of phonetics and vocabulary
- Comprehension of written and oral texts in German
- · Basic communication and discourse skills
- Introduction to the main aspects concerning the culture and civilization in German speaking countries

#### **Contents**

Grammar, communication, topics in economics and sociocultural aspects

The grammar and communication skills of the course correspond to level **A2+/B1** of the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)*.

# **Detailed program**

#### Grammar

- · definite and indefinite article
- singular and plural
- conjugation of verbs in the indicative (Präsens, Perfekt, Präteritum, Futur)
- separable verbs
- modal verbs
- · adjective declension
- negation nicht / kein

- verb position in main, interrogative and imperative clauses
- secondary propositions with dass, wenn, weil, ob
- · active and passive mode
- Wechselpräpositionen
- personal pronouns
- · possessive pronouns

#### Topics in economics, communication and sociocultural aspects

Newspaper articles, podcasts, and videos on current topics in culture, politics, and economics with a focus on

- · reading strategies
- listening strategies
- different types of pronunciation
- · comment, summary and translation of texts

# **Prerequisites**

No specific entry level required.

Unlike the other languages, German Language no longer offers tutorials with a language learning assistant. For this reason, it is strongly recommended (especially for beginning students) to also attend the German Language courses of the Bachelor degree programs *Marketing*, *Comunicazione Aziendale e Mercati* and *Economia delle banche*.

#### **Teaching methods**

Lectures

#### **Assessment methods**

# Written and oral exam with grade evaluation

Written exam

- Test with closed questions: listening comprehension; reading comprehension; completing a text with missing words
- An open question (writing a written text in German, for example, an e-mail or a text using an instant messaging service)

#### Oral exam

- · Conversation on daily matters
- Presentation, comment and discussion on one text prepared by the student
- Reading and translation of one of the texts analyzed during the course (text chosen by the teacher)

#### Note

- 1. Passing the written test is mandatory for taking the oral exam. It is not allowed to take the written and oral exam in two different assessment dates.
- 2. Use materials of 2021/2022 until April 2023 included.

# **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

Compulsory reading list:

- Netzwerk NEU A1, Kursbuch: 9783126071567\*
- Netzwerk NEU A1 Arbeitsbuch: 9783126071574\*
- Netzwerk NEU A2 Kursbuch: 9783126071642\*

#### Recommended:

- Netzwerk NEU A2 Arbeitsbuch: 9783126071659\*
- Paola Bonelli, Rosanna Pavan, Grammatica attiva della lingua tedesca, Hoepli 2012

All materials on the e-learning platform of Lingua - tedesco a.a. 2022/2023.

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.

#### Semester

Annual course from October 2022 to June 2023

# **Teaching language**

German and Italian

# **Sustainable Development Goals**

QUALITY EDUCATION | GENDER EQUALITY | INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE | CLIMATE ACTION

<sup>\*</sup>There is also a digital version, but the license period is limited to one year.