

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Further Language Skills for Finance - German

2223-2-F1601M045

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

Grammar, communication, financial, socio-cultural and environmental aspects

Detailed program

Reading, discussion and translation of newspaper articles, videos, and podcasts on politics, economics, culture, and environment

Grammar topics:

- Plusquamperfekt
- impersonal pronoun man
- coordinating conjunctions und, aber, denn, deshalb, trotzdem
- relative clauses
- subordinate clauses with damit, dass, wenn, and 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

Attention: Students are advised to revise all grammar topics covered in the course of *Lingua Tedesca* (6 cfu), undergraduate courses of *Economics and Business* (see https://elearning.unimib.it/course/info.php?id=37153#en) and *Economics for Banks* (https://elearning.unimib.it/course/info.php?id=38539#en)

Prerequisites

Entrance level: A2+ (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages)

Teaching methods

Lectures: listening and reading comprehension, *in plenum* discussions, presentations, translations; grammar exercises and vocabulary

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 (in German)

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

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Articles taken from newspapers and magazines, will be 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 it is available *Deutsch perfekt*, a magazine containing reading and listening comprehension (on audio CD and on the Internet) exercises and vocabulary exercises of various levels of difficulty, For further study materials please refer to professor Vogler Stefanie's webpage (https://elearning.unimib.it/course/info.php?id=43249) as well as to professor Saracco Caterina's webpage

Semester

First semester (September 2022 to January 2023).

Teaching language

German and Italian

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