

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS**  
**DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2025 through Spring 2026

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours .....	120
Minimum Upper-Division Hours .....	48
Major Hours .....	30
<b>Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:</b>	
Overall - Combined and OU .....	2.00
Major - Combined and OU .....	2.00

Program
World Languages and Cultures: German
B887 P271
Bachelor of Arts

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 4 years.

**GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and Dodge College of Arts & Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>. **Courses graded P/NP will not apply.**

**UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS)**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication</b>		
<i>English Composition (6 hours)</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
or EXPO 1213	Expository Writing	
<i>Language (0-13 hours in the same language)</i>		
The college requirement cannot be met by high school coursework.		
	Beginning Course	0-5
	Beginning Course, continued	0-5
	Intermediate Course (2000 level) <sup>1,2</sup>	0-3
<i>Mathematics (3 hours)</i>		
	Choose one course from the General Education Mathematics list	3
<b>Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, including one laboratory component)</b>		
<i>Biological Science</i>		
	Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: BIOL, HES, MBIO, or PBIO <sup>1</sup>	3-4
<i>Physical Science</i>		
	Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS <sup>1</sup>	3-4
<b>Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)</b>		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
	Choose one course from the General Education Social Science list	3
<b>Core Area IV: Arts and Humanities (18 hours)</b>		
<i>Artistic Forms</i>		
	Choose one course from the General Education Artistic Forms list	3
<i>Western Culture</i>		
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	3
or HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
	Choose one course from the General Education Western Culture list (excluding HIST 1483/1493)	3
<i>World Culture</i>		
	Choose one course from the General Education World Culture list	3
<i>Additional Core IV Upper-Division Arts &amp; Humanities courses</i>		
	Choose one course from Artistic Forms, Western Culture, or World Culture <sup>1,3</sup>	3
	Choose one course from Artistic Forms, Western Culture, or World Culture <sup>1,3</sup>	3
<b>Core Area V: First Year Experience (3 hours)</b>		
	Choose one course	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>56</b>

- <sup>1</sup> College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: college requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.
- <sup>2</sup> One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level
- <sup>3</sup> 6 upper-division hours, 2 courses, at the 3000- 4000-level. **Must be outside the major.**

**FREE ELECTIVES**

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 48 upper-division hours.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

- Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or Dodge College of Arts & Sciences Requirements
- The major requires 30 hours beyond GERM 1115 and GERM 1225. 1000-Level German courses may not be counted for major credit at the University of Oklahoma.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
GERM 1115	Beginning German (5 hours)	
GERM 1225	Beginning German (Continued) (5 hours)	
GERM 2113	Intermediate German	3
GERM 2223	Intermediate German (Continued)	3
GERM 3423	Advanced German Composition	3
GERM 3853	Literature and Film	3
MLL 3823	German Culture and Thought	3
	Choose the equivalent of five elective courses (15 hours) at the 3000-4000 level, two of which must be 4000-level literature and culture seminars, from the department approved list.	15
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

**MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
	Perspectives on Languages: one three-hour course from a list approved by the department <sup>1</sup>	3
	German concentrators are strongly encouraged to pursue study abroad opportunities in a German speaking country	
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>

- <sup>1</sup> Electives approved for the German Major Elective and Perspectives on Languages requirement may be obtained from the Department of Modern Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics or in the General Catalog.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/dodge-arts-sciences/modern-languages-literatures-linguistics/world-languages-cultures-german-bachelor-arts/>).

## INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

**Arts and Sciences Hours:** At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

**Pass/No Pass Enrollment:** A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

**Individual Studies (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"):** A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

**P.E. Courses:** No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

**Senior Institution Hours:** A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

**Residency:**

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are *not* considered resident credit.

**Grade Point Averages:** Students must earn a minimum over all 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

### SUGGESTED SEMESTER PLAN OF STUDY

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with Dodge College of Arts and Sciences and/or Department of Modern Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics academic advisors to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy University, College of Arts and Sciences, and German major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER		Hours	SECOND SEMESTER		Hours
<b>FRESHMAN</b>	ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition ( Core I )	3	ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213	Principles of English Composition ( Core I ) or Expository Writing	3
	GERM 1115	Beginning German	5	GERM 1225	Beginning German (Continued)	5
		Math (Core I)	3		Social Science (Core III)	3
		Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4		First Year Experience (Core V)	3
		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>	GERM 2113	Intermediate German	3	GERM 2223	Intermediate German (Continued)	3
	MLLL 3823	German Culture and Thought	3	HIST 1483 or HIST 1493	United States to 1865 ( Core IV ) or United States, 1865 to the Present	3
	P SC 1113	American Federal Government ( Core III )	3		Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3
		Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3		World Culture (Core IV)	3
		Western Culture (Core IV), lower-division	3		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>JUNIOR</b>	GERM 3423	Advanced German Composition	3		GERM 3000/4000 Major Elective	3
	GERM 3853	Literature and Film	3		GERM 3000/4000 Major Elective	3
		Arts & Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	1			
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>SENIOR</b>		GERM 3000/4000 Major Elective	3		GERM 4000-level literature & culture seminar	3
		GERM 4000-level literature & culture seminar	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Arts & Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Major support requirement	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>