

GERM 3013
Einführung in die Literatur
University of Arkansas
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MoMiFr 10.30 - 11.20 Uhr

KIMP 301

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Sprechstunden:
Mo, Fr 11.30-12.30
Mi 12.30-13.30

Texte:

Dürrenmatt, Friedrich. *Die Physiker*.

Frisch, Max. *Herr Biedermann und die Brandstifter*.

Goethe, Johann Wolfgang. *Götz von Berlichingen*

Kafka, Franz. *Die Verwandlung*.

Ziele des Kurses: Sie sollen lernen, wie man längere Texte auf Deutsch liest, d.h. Lesestrategien verwenden und nicht jedes Wort nachschlagen. Außerdem werden Sie einen neuen Wortschatz bekommen, um Literatur im Allgemeinen besprechen zu können. Dies bedeutet aber nicht, daß Sie Texte perfekt interpretieren müssen. Wir werden uns auf die Handlung (= plot) konzentrieren. Diskussionen und schriftliche Aufgaben (Hausaufgaben, Quizze, Prüfungen) werden auf Deutsch gemacht, damit Sie auch Ihre mündlichen und schriftlichen Fähigkeiten verbessern. Und natürlich werden Sie einige der Klassiker der modernen deutschen Literatur kennenlernen und hoffentlich die guten Geschichten genießen!

Woche 1 (25.8 – 29.8.) *Herr Biedermann und die Brandstifter*

Freitag, der 29. August, ist der letzte Tag, an dem Sie sich für diesen Kurs einschreiben können (=last day to add the course).

Woche 2 (1.9 – 5.9) *Herr Biedermann und die Brandstifter*

Am Montag, dem 1. September, gibt es keinen Unterricht. Viel Spaß!

Freitag, der 5. September, ist der letzte Tag, an dem Sie aus diesem Kurs aussteigen können, ohne ein "W" zu bekommen (=last day to drop the course without a "W").

Woche 3 (8.9 - 12.9) *Herr Biedermann und die Brandstifter*; Hörspiel im Unterricht zuhören

Sie schreiben die erste Prüfung am Freitag, dem 12. September.

Woche 4 (15.9 - 19.9) *Die Physiker*

Woche 5 (22.9 – 26.9) *Die Physiker*

Woche 6 (29.9 – 3.10) *Die Physiker*

Woche 7 (6.10 - 10.10) *Die Physiker*

Sie schreiben die zweite Prüfung am Freitag, dem 10. Oktober.

Woche 8 (13.10 - 17.10) *Die Verwandlung*

Woche 9 (20.10 - 24.10) *Die Verwandlung*

Woche 10 (27.10 – 31.10) *Die Verwandlung*

Freitag, der 31. Oktober, ist der letzte Tag, an dem Sie aus diesem Kurs aussteigen können (=last day to drop the course).

Woche 11 (3.11.- 7.11) *Die Verwandlung*

Sie schreiben die dritte Prüfung am Freitag, dem 7. November.

Woche 12 (10.11 - 14.11) *Götz von Berlichingen*

Woche 13 (17.11-21.11) *Götz von Berlichingen*

Woche 14 (24.11 - 28.11) *Götz von Berlichingen*

Kein Unterricht am Freitag, dem 28. November. Frohes Erntedankfest!

Woche 15 (1.12-5.12) *Götz von Berlichingen*

Woche 16 (8.12) **Zusammenfassung des Kurses; Vorbereitung auf die Schlußprüfung**

Montag, der 8. Dezember, ist der letzte Tag des Unterrichts, denn Mittwoch ist “Toter Tag” (Dead Day).

Die Schlußprüfung (4. Prüfung) findet am Montag, dem 15. Dezember, von 12.30-14.30 statt.

Notenvergabe:

Prüfungen (4)	50 %	A=100-90 %
Hausaufgaben und Quizze	30 %	B=89-80 %
Teilnahme	20 %	C=79-70 %
		D=69-60 %
		F=59 % und weniger

Prüfungen

Exams will include a combination of plot summary, quote identification, true/false questions, short answer, and/or short essay (as the semester progresses). These exams will be written in German and will reflect class discussions and homework assignments. Points will be given for both content and vocabulary/grammar. However, points will be

deducted for only major grammatical mistakes, and students may turn in a corrected version of each exam to restore points lost due to grammatical errors.

Teilnahme und Anwesenheit (Participation and attendance)

Your instructor will be evaluating you on a weekly basis according to use of German and your participation in small group activities and whole class discussions. If you would like to get regular feedback on your participation, please contact your instructor. If you are late to class, you are not participating in the full class period and will thus lose participation points accordingly. Should you have a course immediately preceding this one which continually ends late and/or is on the other side of campus, please notify me.

For any **excused** absence, you will be allowed to make up any work and exams missed. Excused absences include illness and family emergency. For an illness to be counted as excused, you can bring a note from the health center or your own doctor, which states the days you were sick. Or, if you simply have a stomach virus or bad cold, you should contact your instructor via e-mail to let her know you will not be attending class that day so that the absence will be excused. (If this occurs frequently, however, the instructor reserves the right to ask for a doctor's note to verify all further illnesses.) If an absence causes you to miss two or more consecutive class days, however, you **must** bring a doctor's note with you when you return to class. Excused family emergencies include serious illness or death of a family member. However, driving a sibling to the airport in Tulsa, for example, would **not** be excused. Any homework missed because of excused absences must be brought to class the same day the student returns to class; any tests or quizzes missed must be made up within **one week** of the excused absence.

You are allowed **two unexcused** absences. For the third and each subsequent unexcused absence, **one point will be deducted from your final grade**. So, if you have five unexcused absences, you will lose three points from your final grade (five unexcused absences *minus* two allowed absences equals three absences = three points.) If your final grade were a 90, it would be an 87 after the deduction. If you know in advance you will have to miss class, contact your instructor as soon as possible to determine if your absence will be excused. *Homework and quizzes missed because of unexcused absences may not be made up.*

Participation and attendance are vital in foreign language learning. If you miss class, you miss an opportunity to speak and hear German. Whether you miss class because of an excused or unexcused absence, **it is your responsibility to contact a classmate or the instructor in a timely manner regarding any new assignments (not on the syllabus) or other schedule changes that might have been made.** Write the name, number, and email of two of your classmates here:

- 1.
- 2.

If you cannot come to class, you should remember two things. 1) If you miss a class, you should be ready to participate upon your return. If you miss Monday and there is a quiz

on Wednesday, you should be ready for the quiz on Wednesday. 2) Please make every effort possible to get the assignment from a fellow class member.

E-mail

The use of e-mail is mandatory for this class. Although you will not submit assignments via e-mail, your instructor will contact you via e-mail regarding course matters, occasional hints on grammar constructions, and even scholarship information, so you should check your e-mail account daily for announcements. E-mail is also an excellent way to contact your instructor.

While it is wonderful that conscientious students want to keep on top of turning homework in when they have to miss class, no assignments can be accepted via e-mail attachments, as I end up spending hours printing out such assignments. Please bring your work to class, put it in my box, or simply bring it to the next class period if you are absent.

Hausaufgabe (Homework)

Assignments are due at the beginning of class or by 4:00 pm of the day the assignment is due. Homework turned in at the end of class (i.e. completed during the class period) will not be accepted. Late homework will not be accepted and will be recorded as a zero. Any work you miss for an **excused** absence MAY be turned in when you return to class.

Inclement Weather Policy

The university policy on inclement weather will be followed. You can check the procedure for weather emergencies on-line at: <http://www.uark.edu/home/11272.php>. Individuals may call 575-7000 for announcements about University closings.

Fragen? If you have any questions regarding the syllabus or this course, feel free to contact the instructor, Dr. Jennifer M. Hoyer (jhoyer@uark.edu).