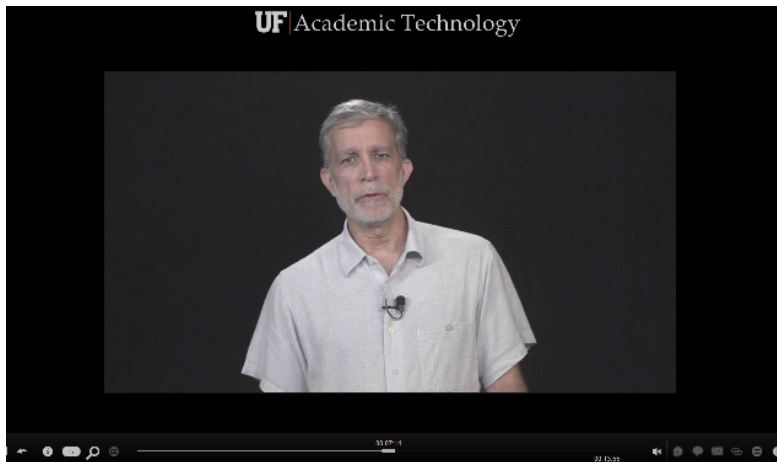


GER 6060/4930 German for Reading Knowledge I Fall 2018

1. Professor Will Hasty; Dauer 263a; Fall Online and In-Person Office Hours: Tuesdays 8th and 9th periods (3:00-4:55)

2. Link to course introduction:



Accessibility score: Low

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3. Course textbook:

Richard Allen Korb. *German for Reading Knowledge*. 7th edition. Boston: Heinle, 2014.

Note: You will also work with numerous online materials intended to rehearse your knowledge of German usage and German grammatical structures. The majority of these materials have been borrowed from the beginning online German sequence "Discover German" (GER 1125 and GER 1126) created by Drs. Franz Futterknecht and Christina Overstreet of the University of Florida.

Since our focus in this course is on developing reading skills, the materials taken from Discover German have necessarily been removed from their original context and reordered to correspond to the sequence of grammatical items as we will be covering them in our course. Consequently, you may hear references to phrases in "dialogues" in the Discover German sequence or references to the chapter or unit numbers in Discover German. Please simply disregard these references to Discover German and focus on the presentation of the grammar. In using the supplementary materials adapted from Discover German, you will also experience a lot of vocabulary that you don't know. Regard this as an opportunity to learn this additional vocabulary and look all the new words up and try to remember them.

You will obviously need to consult an English-German dictionary, of which you will find many online. If you wished to purchase an English-German dictionary, Langenscheidt or Collins are the best-known publishers with the longest history.

4. Course grades:

Final Exam	25
Leitfragen	10
sentence translations	15
passage translations	15
vocabulary quizzes	15
Extra Credit Assessments	10
group conferencing participation	20

The final exam is proctored by ProctorU and takes place during a time to be arranged during finals week. In the final exam I will select passages from the "Wiederholung" sections in *German for Reading Knowledge* (pp. 59-62; pp.114-116; pp.170-71; pp.223-25; pp. 273-76) for you to translate. The final will also include vocabulary items with a format somewhat similar to the vocabulary quizzes. As I announced quite some time ago, I will also be quizzing you on the strong and irregular verbs pp. 283-84 (from "backen" to "nennen").

Participation includes *prepared* attendance for at least one hour per week at a conference that you will schedule with members of the working group to which you will be assigned at the beginning of the semester. In a given week, your group should go over the practice sentences together (which you should already have prepared by your meeting time) and, time permitting, move forward to the Leitfragen and the Longer Passage Translations. I will ask each group to keep track of any questions they may have more me that arise during their collaborative work, and to save a few minutes at the end of their session to formulate the questions, problems, issues about which they would like my input. You will record your conference so that I can look in on your collaborative work and keep track of your progress, and address the questions you ask at the end of your sessions as part of my feedback to you.

The percentages for the letter grades below take into consideration the possibility of earning up to 10% extra credit by doing the times grammar assessments in the supplementary materials:

Grade	Minimum %
A	83
A-	80
B+	77
B	73
B-	70
C+	67

C	63
etc.	

5. Assignments and Due Dates. All course assignments and due dates are listed on the "Course Materials" page, which is also set as the homepage of this course. For example, you will notice that Module 1 lasts from 8/26 to 8/30. This means that all the assignments connected to the chapters in *German for Reading Knowledge* must be completed by 8/30 at midnight (i.e. 12:00 am on 8/31). The dates on which the vocabulary quizzes are available are also listed on the "Course Materials" page. You are responsible for knowing when all the assignments and quizzes are due and completing them on time.

It is clearly possible to work too slowly, or to fail to do assignments because you are not paying sufficient attention. However, you may work as fast as you wish, i.e. you are free to work ahead. However, our weekly meetings will focus on the material in the lesson we are working on in that given week.

My recommendation is to work steadily and consistently, spending at least a couple of hours each day on your German reading skills.

There is no due date for the extra-credit timed assessments; you can do these at any point before the end of the semester.

6. Structure of Coursework:

Grammar

Each of the chapters in German for Reading Knowledge begins with a section on grammar that you should review thoroughly, and return to at later points to review. To help you with this, links to Powerpoint presentations on the grammatical items are included in the course materials.

Vocabulary

Each chapter also contains a vocabulary list or "Grundwortschatz." You are responsible for learning this vocabulary and for striving to have an **active** knowledge of it, i.e. if prompted with the corresponding English term, you would be in a position to produce the German term (including gender and both singular and plural forms in the case of nouns; and the "principle parts" of verbs-- infinitive, 3rd person singular simple past, past participle). The vast majority of words you will learn in this course sequence will be passive rather than active knowledge, i.e. words, the meaning of which you will recognize and be able to translate. However, to develop facility in reading German, you will have to press beyond passive knowledge and develop a strong foundation of **active** vocabulary. The words in the "Grundwortschatz" sections of the chapters will be your active vocabulary. To help you learn these words by heart, links to flashcards are provided in the course materials. The flashcards do not always provide all the needed information about a given word. Make sure in the case of nouns that you know

the gender, and the singular and plural forms. In the case of verbs, make sure you know the infinitive, the third person singular present tense form if irregular, the third person singular simple past, and the past participle. If much of this seems like "Greek" to you now, don't worry! It will become clear soon enough. Try to spend at least a few minutes every day studying vocabulary. Frequent repetition over time is far more efficient than "cramming" for several hours before a test. There will be biweekly quizzes on the vocabulary. You will find the scheduled quizzes on the Course Materials page.

"Übungssätze" or practice sentences

After beginning to familiarize yourselves with grammar and vocabulary, I want you to translate the practice sentences individually. Give this your best shot, using one of the German online dictionaries you'll find linked to this course (on the left side of your screen), or your own print English-German dictionary (Langenscheidt and Cassell are the industry standards). Click on "Assessments" to the left and you will find the practice sentences for each chapter. Simply open the corresponding assessment and type your translations of the sentences in the corresponding windows. After you have submitted your work, you will receive correct model translations against which you can compare your own work. Please do take the time to carefully and critically compare your own manner of translating with these model sentences and have any questions you might have ready for the next video meeting.

"Leitfragen"

Another thing you will find when you click on "Assessments" is "Leitfragen," or orientation questions that are designed to familiarize you a bit with the longer passage that you will be translating in each chapter. Please also do these individually. I don't think you'll find these very difficult to finish, and in some cases they will provide you with information that will be helpful in your translating work on the passages.

Longer passage translation

This is the culmination of the work in each chapter, and I would like you to work on the translation of the longer passage together with your partner. You can arrange your collaboration in any way you like, but I would like you to translate, go over the accuracy of your translation, and submit your translation as a joint partner exercise. You will find the passage translations by clicking on "Assignments" to the left (not "Assessments"!). **Both of you** should upload your joint translation into the course. Again, once you have uploaded your translation, you will then have a view of my translations of these passages and you will be able to compare how you have translated with how I have done so. An important part of your learning will depend on this review work!

Vocabulary in Grammatical Context Quizzes

As indicated above, You need to study the vocabulary in the "Grundwortschatz" lists of *GRK* every day, and frequently review the grammar to make sure you have understood how the forms of words change (for example, the singular and plural forms

of nouns, the many different forms of verbs, etc.). The "Vocabulary in Grammatical Context" quizzes will test your active knowledge of this vocabulary and grammar, whereby I understand "active" to mean that you are able to produce the correct German forms from memory. Even though your "passive" knowledge of German, for example, your ability to recognize the meaning of German words when you see them, will be larger and possibly much larger than your active knowledge, the stronger the latter becomes, the better an understanding reader of German you will be.

You will take each quiz twice during the two-day period indicated in the course materials. Note that these quizzes occur on different days of the week throughout the semester and you are responsible to making sure you complete the quiz during the period of time allotted for it. There will be no make-up quizzes barring a medical emergency or some other such reason officially sanctioned by UF.

The first time you will take the quiz with no notes, relying on what you have learned by memory. When you submit the quiz, you should be able to see which questions you got correct, but you will not see corrections for those you got wrong. You should then take the quiz a second time. The second time, you may consult your book and correct the questions you got wrong the first time.

In order to access the quiz, you will need to check an Honors Pledge that states the following:

*"Checking the Honors Pledge indicates you take this quiz **the first time** without consulting the glossary or vocabulary flashcards and based solely upon your memorization of the vocabulary and grammar. You may then take the quiz the second time with the help of your textbook to correct any errors you have made.*

Checking the pledge also indicates you are aware that you are expected to develop an active knowledge of the vocabulary and grammar of the chapters in GRK and that this knowledge will be tested in the final exam at the end of the semester. ("Active knowledge" means that you are able to produce the grammatically correct German forms from memory.)"

Supplementary materials and extra-credit assessments

The supplementary materials include Mediasite presentations by my colleagues Drs. Franz Futterknecht and Christina Overstreet on grammatical items, detailed grammar pages that explain grammatical items, and assessments of different kinds. Some of the latter are designated as "practice assessments," and you can take these as many times as you wish. If you feel you have reached the point where you get all the answers right, you may then take the "timed" extra-credit assessments if you wish. You may take the timed extra-credit assessments only once.

Course Summary:

Date	Details
Thu Aug 30, 2018	<u>German for Reading Knowledge, Kapitel 1, Practice Sentences</u> <u>German for Reading Knowledge, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 1</u>
Sun Sep 2, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 1</u>
Thu Sep 6, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 2, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 2</u>
Sun Sep 9, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 2</u> <u>Vocabulary in Grammatical Context Quiz #1</u>
Thu Sep 13, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 3, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 3</u>
Sun Sep 16, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 3</u>
Thu Sep 20, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 4, Practice Sentences</u>
Sun Sep 23, 2018	<u>Vocabulary in Grammatical Context Quiz #2</u>
Thu Sep 27, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 5, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 5</u>
Sun Sep 30, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 5</u>
Thu Oct 4, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 6, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 4</u>
Sun Oct 7, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 6</u> <u>Vocabulary in Grammatical Context Quiz #3</u>

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Thu Oct 11, 2018	<u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 7</u> <u>GRK, Kapitel 7, Practice Sentences</u>
Sun Oct 14, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 7</u>
Thu Oct 18, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 8, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 8</u>
Sun Oct 21, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 8</u> <u>Vocabulary in Grammatical Context Quiz #4</u>
Thu Oct 25, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 9, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 9</u>
Sun Oct 28, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 9</u>
Thu Nov 1, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 10, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 10</u>
Sun Nov 4, 2018	<u>Vocabulary in Grammatical Context Quiz #5</u> <u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 10</u>
Fri Nov 9, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 11, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 11</u>
Tue Nov 13, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 11</u>
Sat Nov 17, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 12, Practice Sentences</u> <u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 12</u>
Tue Nov 20, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 12</u>

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	<u>Vocabulary in Grammatical Context Quiz #6</u>
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Fri Nov 30, 2018	<u>GRK, Kapitel 13, Practice Sentences</u>
	<u>GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 13</u>
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Wed Dec 5, 2018	<u>Upload Translations--Kapitel 13</u>
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	<u>2 Way Prepositions Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>Accusative Prepositions Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>Accusative Prepositions Video</u>
	<u>Adjectival Nouns Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>Adjectives as Adverbs or Predicates Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>All Adjective Forms Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>Articles Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>Cognate Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>Comparative and Superlative Quiz for extra credit--timed</u>
	<u>Contrary-to-Fact Conditional Sentences</u>
	<u>Coordinating Conjunctions Position 0</u>
	<u>Coordinating Conjunctions Position 1</u>
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	<u>Course Review Adjectives Mixed Endings</u>
	<u>Course Review Adjectives Strong Endings</u>
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	<u>Course Review Comparatives Superlatives</u>
	<u>Course Review Subjunctive</u>
	<u>Course Review Subordinating Conjunctions</u>

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[Dative Prepositions Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

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[Dative Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Demonstratives Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Final, Part 1, Vocabulary and Grammar](#)

[Final, Part 2, Translations](#)

[Future Tense](#)

[Genitive Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[GRK, Leitfragen zum Text--Kapitel 6](#)

[Imperativ Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Indefinite Pronouns Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Infinitive Constructions and Infinitive Constructions with the Perfect Infinitiv](#)

[Infinitive Constructions um zu, ohne zu, anstatt zu](#)

[Interrogatives Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

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[Prepositional Complements Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Quantitative Determiners and Adjectives](#)

[Questions Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Reflexives Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Relative Clauses](#)

[Relative Pronoun was](#)

[Replace Nouns with Pronouns Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Review All Prepositions](#)

[Review All Prepositions TimeSpaceReason](#)

[Review Auxiliaries](#)

[Review der-ein Wörter](#)

[Review Imperatives and Questions](#)

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[Self-Check Adjectival Nouns & N-Declension](#)

[Self-Check Coordinating Conjunctions](#)

[Self-Check Indefinite Pronouns](#)

[Self-Test Relative Pronouns \(special cases\)](#)

[Self-Test Relative Pronouns - Genitive - wo - was](#)

[Simple Past 1 for extra credit--timed](#)

[Simple Past 2 for extra credit--timed](#)

[Simple Past Auxiliaries Weak Verbs Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Special Forms of Adjectives Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Special Verbs Quiz](#)

[Strong Forms of the Adjectives Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

[Strong Verbs Quiz for extra credit--timed](#)

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Assignments are weighted by group: