

**SACE COURSE OVERVIEW 2022**
**LANGUAGE: GERMAN**
**COURSE TYPE: BEGINNERS**
**LEVEL: STAGE 1**

This course focuses on developing and applying communication skills in German (speaking, listening, reading & writing), developing understanding of language as a system, and enhancing intercultural understanding. Detailed information is available from the Subject Outline accessible from the SACE Board web site: <http://saceboard.sa.edu.au>

Within the set Perspectives, Themes and Topics, students are given opportunities to build their communication skills, and their understanding of the language and the culture. They are assessed through a series of required assessment types as outlined in the Subject Outline. A Learning and Assessment plan is available to students on their class Edmodo at the beginning of the course. As per SACE guidelines, students will be assessed against set criteria. Grades will result from student performance against the Performance Standards at A+ - E- level. Five capabilities have been incorporated into the language program. These capabilities are: communication, citizenship, personal development, work and learning. The capabilities enable students to make connections in their learning within and across subjects in a wide range of contexts.

**Set Texts:** Education Perfect subscription; Collins German Dictionary and Grammar

Semester	PERSPECTIVES: The Personal World & The German speaking world (The themes below can be explored from one or both of the above Perspectives)			Text Types	Main Grammar & Other Linguistic Features
	Theme 1 Relationships	Theme 2 Lifestyles	Theme 3 Experiences		
Semester 1	<p><b><u>Family life, Home and Neighbourhood</u></b> Greetings &amp; Introductions Daily routines Likes and dislikes</p> <p><b><u>Culture focus</u></b> Exchanging pleasantries. Formal and informal language 'du vs. Sie' Speaking about where you live.</p>	<p><b><u>People, Places and Communities</u></b> School life in Germany. Hobbies and free time. Getting around. Shopping</p> <p><b><u>Culture focus</u></b> Grund-Haupt-Real-Gesamtschule-Gymnasium. City and country free time activities. Weather and free time.</p>	<p><b><u>Friends, Recreation &amp; Pastimes</u></b> Weekends and spending time in the city. Public/private transport.</p> <p><b><u>Family life, Home and Neighbourhood</u></b> Family relationships &amp; extended family.</p> <p><b><u>Culture focus</u></b> Social networks &amp; 21<sup>st</sup> century communication in the German speaking countries.</p>	advertisements (radio, television, newspaper, magazine) announcements applications (competitions, clubs, etc.) (auto) biographies blogs brochures cartoons with words, charts, diagrams, graphs, timetables dialogues lists, menus maps and legends personal accounts poems, song lyrics recipes résumés short stories surveys, questionnaires TV and cinema guides Websites Apps and games	<p><b>Cases:</b> nominative, accusative, dative  <b>Articles:</b> definite, indefinite  <b>Nouns:</b> gender, plural  <b>Pronouns:</b> personal, possessive, interrogative  <b>Verbs:</b> present tense, conjugation, regular and irregular, modal  <b>Word order:</b> adverbs, question/answer structure, negation            Selected adjectival endings            Formal/ Informal forms of address            Expressing liking and preference  <b>Numbers:</b> cardinal, ordinal</p> <p><b>Cases:</b> Genitive  <b>Imperative</b>  <b>Prepositions:</b> with dative  <b>Verbs:</b> gefallen, perfect tense, reflexive, imperfect tense for 'haben' and 'sein'  <b>Pronouns:</b> dative, accusative  <b>Word order/Conjunctions:</b> subordinate clauses 'wenn', 'weil'  <b>Adjectives:</b> comparative and superlative</p>
Semester 2	<p><b><u>People, Places and Communities</u></b> Homes and home-life. Your neighbourhood.</p> <p><b><u>Culture focus</u></b> House vs. apartment Traditional houses. Household chores. Who does what? The changing nature of family roles in modern Germany.</p>	<p><b><u>Education and Work</u></b> <b><u>Culture focus</u></b> Work life in Germany.</p> <p><b><u>Future Plans</u></b> Work and life aspirations Planning a trip to Germany</p> <p><b><u>Culture focus</u></b> Travelling abroad in Europe. The Schengen Lands. The Swiss island in Europe.</p>	<p><b><u>Holidays Travel and Tourism.</u></b> Weather. Going to a restaurant. Times and dates. Getting around.</p> <p><b><u>Culture focus</u></b> Travelling in Germany, Switzerland and Austria. Lots of mountains, not much sea. Munich &amp; Berlin The Rhein &amp; the Lakes.</p>	dialogues lists, menus maps and legends personal accounts poems, song lyrics recipes résumés short stories surveys, questionnaires TV and cinema guides Websites Apps and games	<p><b>Cases:</b> Genitive  <b>Imperative</b>  <b>Prepositions:</b> with dative  <b>Verbs:</b> gefallen, perfect tense, reflexive, imperfect tense for 'haben' and 'sein'  <b>Pronouns:</b> dative, accusative  <b>Word order/Conjunctions:</b> subordinate clauses 'wenn', 'weil'  <b>Adjectives:</b> comparative and superlative</p>

*Please note: This Course Overview may change to accommodate students' prior knowledge and/or combined year levels.*