

GERMAN STUDIES, CERTIFICATE

Requirements for an undergraduate certificate may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the certificate.

Program Description

The German Studies certificate offered at Penn State Behrend is designed for students who wish to specialize in interdisciplinary German Studies by acquiring advanced German language skills and taking courses in culture, film, history, literature, music, or politics of the German-speaking countries. In-depth knowledge of the German-speaking countries prepares students for a global workforce and careers in international business, engineering, finance, politics, or the sciences.

What is German Studies?

German Studies is an interdisciplinary academic sub-field of the Humanities concerned with the languages, literatures, arts, and politics of German-speaking communities in Europe and across the world (e.g., Pennsylvania Germans). In pursuing each of these areas German Studies intersects with the related fields of linguistics, literary studies, visual studies, and history, respectively.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You're interested in German language, culture, and history.
- You envision working in a German-speaking country or for a German company within the United States.
- You wish to study abroad.
- You plan to apply for fellowships or internships in Germany or Austria.
- You are an engineering student who wants to take advantage of Behrend's relationship with Rosenheim University of Applied Sciences in Rosenheim, Germany.
- You recognize that speaking a second (or third!) language doubles (or triples!) your career options.