

Proposed syllabus to be covered for GenEd course in German at Presidency University

3rd Semester

Part A

- Short recap of the important chapters done in the 1st semester
- Use of cases along with prepositions – accusative, dative, genitive
- Tenses – different forms of present, past and future
- Conjunctive (subjunctive) forms – direct/indirect speech, subjunctive
- Various forms of adjective declinations and endings
- Active and passive voice
- Detailed usages of verbs with separable and inseparable prefixes and change of meanings in different contexts
- Complex phrases and clauses, subordinate clauses, sentence connectors (temporal, causal etc.)
- Reading comprehension (Leseverständnis) and aural comprehension (Hörverständnis)
- Conversation exercises and situational improvisations
- Composition of short texts in German

Part B

- Discussion on important literary and scientific texts, e.g. Bertolt Brecht, Werner Heisenberg
- Approach to translation from German into English – literary as well as technical texts
- Know Germany better – different facets and perspectives, customs and habits
- More exposure to German literature and culture – music, theatre, film
- Assignment of project works

Note

Part A and Part B will be handled concurrently and not necessarily chronologically

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