

University, Faculty

University of Prešov in Prešov

Faculty of Arts

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

**Code:** IIGE/VYVNJ/15**Course title:** Development of German Language**Field of study:****Guarantor:** doc. PhDr. Martina Kášová, PhD.**Lectured by:** Institute of German Studies

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**Semester:****Contact lessons:** Lecture, Seminar**Number  
of  
ECTS  
credits:**

3

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**Recommended course load (in lessons):****Weekly:** 1/1**Per course:**

13,13

**Course assessment and completion:** Exam**Continuous assessment:**

During the term a student elaborates, presents at seminar and hands in seminar paper to the chosen social-historic or linguistic-historic topic.

**Final assessment:**

There is an oral exam during exam period. A student needs at least 90% for evaluation A, at least 80% for evaluation B, at least 70% for evaluation C, at least 60% for evaluation D and at least 50% for evaluation E. A student reaching less than 50% receives an FX. The final evaluation is calculated as the average of the evaluation of seminar paper and oral exam.

**Course objective:**

The graduate of the course can:

- define and use own words to interpret basic concepts from the area of historic linguistics and relations between them
- characterize the diachrony in the German language
- classify development tendencies of the current German language
- describe and classify methods of teaching and propose their application in the individual phases of the lesson
- characterize, classify and give examples to the individual stages of German language development: old and middle high German as well as early new German
- present the elaborated seminar paper in the group, discuss and reason its effectiveness from the viewpoint of reaching of the planned educational aim

**Course content:**

Diachrony and synchrony, periodization of the history of German language, the most important features of the change

Relatedness of the indo-European languages, theories of their birth

Germanic languages, their division and language particularities in comparison with other ide. languages

First (Germanic) vowel shift and Verner law.

Second (old-high-Germanic) vowel shift and language division of the area

Changes in the area of vocalism and consonantism of the old high German

Language innovations and development tendencies of the middle high and early new German and their influence on the development of flexion

Ablaut in the system of strong and irregular verbs, classes and their development

Development of the weak verbs, the point of the reverse umlaut, relicts of the development in the current German

**Textbooks and references:**

ERNST, P., 2012. Deutsche Sprachgeschichte. Wien: facultas.wuv. ISBN 978-3-8252-3689-2.

DROSDOWSKI, G., 1989. Duden Etymologie. Herkunftswörterbuch der deutschen Sprache. Band 7. Mannheim: Dudenverlag. ISBN 3-411-20907-0.

DÜRSCHIED, Ch., KIRCHER, H. a B. SOWINSKI, 1995. Germanistik. Köln, Weimar, Wien: Böhlau Verlag. ISBN 3-412-09093-X.

PAPSONOVÁ, M., 1990. Historische Entwicklung des Deutschen. Prešov: Filozofická fakulta. ISBN 80-7097-096-0.

STEDJE, A., 2007. Deutsche Sprache gestern und heute. Paderborn: Wilhelm Fink Verlag. ISBN 978-3-7705-4506-3.

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