

Grade and Credit Conversion:

Advanced Business German at the University of Applied Sciences Konstanz - Germany

This program is sponsored by College of Arts & Letters Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian & African Languages in cooperation with the Eli Broad College of Business and James Madison College

These conversions apply to all courses taken at this institution during Fall 2003 and Spring 2004 only.

University of Applied Sciences Konstanz (*Fachhochschule Konstanz*) in Konstanz, Germany

UAS Scale*	MSU Grade Equivalent	ECTS Credits	MSU Credits
1,0 - 1,5 (A+/A)	4.0	2	1
1,6 - 2,5 (A-/B+)	3.5	3	2
2,6 - 2,9 (B)	3.0	4	2
3,0 - 3,5 (B-/C+)	2.5	5	3
3,6 - 3,8 (C)	2.0	6	3
3,9 - 4,0 (C-)	1.5		
>4,0 (D)**	1.0		
>4,0 (D)**	0.0		

*Based on grade translation provided by UAS

** >4 is considered a failing grade. The grade translation provided by UAS lists D as the lowest equivalent grade.

***Based on previously issued UAS transcripts and MSU transfer credit awards. 1 credit hour equals 50 minutes; credit hours/week reflect the contact hours in class for the student.

Other academic information:

The program is designed for students majoring in German who have chosen the third year business language track (GRM 311-312). Specializing in engineering and business, UAS offers a strong focus on international business language and business administration. Course offerings cover the entire spectrum of business management and economics and offer students the chance to study German and international business.

In addition to German-specific courses in business management, UAS offers a series of international management courses. Many of these courses are offered in English. Students will be required to take a minimum of twelve (12), maximum of eighteen (18) credits during the program.

This program runs during spring semester only. The semester lasts 6 months; however, lectures are only held during 4-5 months. The last month is reserved for final exams or final projects, depending on course requirements. The spring semester (called "summer semester" in Germany) runs from mid March to June/July.

Class organization in Germany takes the form of lecture, exercise, seminar or laboratory (practical). During the semester there is usually no homework assigned, except in language courses. The grade received is based on one final exam or project

Useful Web Sites:

<http://www.htwg-konstanz.de/> (general information; English translation available through Google)