

**SP 13
Grotans**



Ger 4600: Deutsch im 20. Jhr.

This senior seminar will cover the history of the German language in the 20th century. We will study how the language has changed, been influenced and has itself influenced. Readings will cover general history, as well as political, national, economic and societal issues of language; a general introduction to historical linguistics and sociolinguistics is also included. Taught in German.

Sample Topics:

- Nationalism and standardization (Duden, Siebs, etc.)
- Language Purism and "Der allgemeiner deutscher Sprachverein"
- Language and National Socialism
- Stunde Null
- Language in the GDR and BRD
- Denglisch
- Kanak Sprak
- Kiezdeutsch

Assessment:

- 1 oral report - 15%
- 1 written paper - 20% (in German in three stages)
- 3 take-home exams - 30%
- Homework, discussion and class participation - 35%

