

# State-Agnostic Syllabus Outline

Mapped to a Carnegie Unit

## Course Framework

**Course Title:** German I (or German II / III, depending on placement)

**Credit Framework:** 1 Carnegie Unit (commonly ~120–180 hours)

**Scope:** This outline describes one reasonable way to document a full-year foreign language credit using SmarterGerman. It is not a legal requirement and should be adapted to your state or umbrella program.

## Time Mapping (example)

**Total engaged study time:** 150 hours (adjust within 120–180 as needed)

- Instruction + guided exercises: ~90 hours
- Review/spaced repetition: ~30 hours
- Listening/reading outside the platform: ~20 hours
- Writing and speaking tasks: ~10 hours

## Suggested Pacing

- 30 weeks × 5 hours/week = 150 hours (example pacing)
- Alternative: 36 weeks × ~4 hours/week = 144 hours

## Units / Topics (example sequence)

- 1) Foundations: pronunciation, basic sentence patterns, core vocabulary, present tense
- 2) Nouns & articles: gender, cases (intro), plural patterns
- 3) Verb system: separable verbs, modal verbs, simple past (intro), perfect tense
- 4) Sentence structure: word order, questions, negation, connectors
- 5) Everyday domains: family, school, home, travel, shopping, hobbies, health

6) Comprehension: structured listening, short texts → longer texts

7) Production: short writing tasks → longer writing; guided speaking summaries

#### Work Samples (for a portfolio, optional)

- 6–10 short writing pieces (100–250 words at lower levels; longer at higher levels)
- A vocabulary log or review log (selected weeks)
- 3–6 short recorded oral summaries (1–3 minutes at lower levels; longer at higher levels)

#### Evaluation (parent-chosen)

- Completion percentage and consistency
- Periodic self-tests or quizzes (built-in and/or parent-created)
- Writing samples scored with a simple rubric (clarity, accuracy, range, completion)
- Speaking checkpoints (fluency and comprehensibility appropriate to level)

#### Important Note

SmarterGerman provides instruction only. Parents/guardians decide credit, grades, and transcript wording.