



## Second Year Handbook 2026/2027 Department of German

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## Second Year Timetable 2026-2027

| hrs   | MONDAY                                                                           | TUESDAY                                                                      | WEDNESDAY                          | THURSDAY                                                                             | FRIDAY |
|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 9-10  | GE2002 Sem.<br>2<br>ORB 203                                                      |                                                                              |                                    | <b>GE2102</b><br>Conn_S2<br>Sem. 2                                                   |        |
| 10-11 | GE2002 Sem.<br>2<br>ORB 203                                                      |                                                                              | <b>GE2130</b><br>Sem. 2<br>ORB G41 | <b>GE2102</b><br>Conn_S2<br>Sem. 2                                                   |        |
| 11-12 |                                                                                  | <b>GE2106</b><br>Sem.1<br>ORB 1.32                                           | <b>GE2130</b><br>Sem. 2<br>ORB G41 |                                                                                      |        |
| 12-13 | <b>GE2805</b><br>ORB 1.45<br>Sem. 2<br><hr/> <b>GE2100</b><br>C_AL_G02<br>Sem. 2 | <b>GE2106</b><br>Sem.1<br>ORB 1.32                                           | <b>GE2026</b><br>Sem. 1<br>Conn J7 | <b>GE2101/2801</b><br><b>Writing</b><br><b>Practice **</b><br>Sem. 1&2               |        |
| 13-14 | <b>GE2805</b><br>ORB 1.45<br>Sem. 2<br><hr/> <b>GE2100</b><br>C_AL_G02<br>Sem. 2 | <b>GE2101/2801</b><br>ORB G38<br><b>Oral</b><br><b>Practice*</b><br>Sem. 1&2 | <b>GE2026</b><br>S. 1<br>Conn J7   | <b>GE 2150</b><br>C_Boole 5<br>Sem. 1                                                |        |
| 14-15 |                                                                                  | <b>GE2101/2801</b><br>ORB G41<br><b>Grammar*</b><br>Sem. 1&2                 |                                    | <b>GE2101/2801</b><br>ORB G30<br><b>Grammar*</b><br>Sem. 1&2<br><hr/> <b>GE 2150</b> |        |

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|       |                                   |                                                                    |                                                               | C_Boole_5<br>Sem. 1                                                |  |
| 15-16 |                                   | <b>GE2101/2801</b><br>ORB G38<br><b>Oral Practice*</b><br>Sem. 1&2 | <b>GE2101/2801</b><br>ORB 1.23<br><b>Grammar*</b><br>Sem. 1&2 | <b>GE2101/2801</b><br>ASK G01<br><b>Oral Practice*</b><br>Sem. 1&2 |  |
| 16-17 | <b>GE2902</b><br>Conn_C<br>Sem. 1 |                                                                    |                                                               |                                                                    |  |
| 17-18 | <b>GE2902</b><br>Conn_C<br>Sem. 1 |                                                                    | <b>GE2126</b><br>ORB 1.32<br>Sem. 1&2                         |                                                                    |  |

\*Groups and locations will be assigned in week 1.

\*\* Parallel groups and locations will be posted on Canvas in week 1.

## Teaching and Contact with our Staff Members

Our Department takes pride in taking an educational approach that places students at its centre. All our staff members are approachable and are happy to assist you should any issues arise.

Please get in touch with us should you have any questions. For all our contact details, see <https://www.ucc.ie/en/german/staff/>.

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Classes commence on **Monday 7th September**. However, there may be some exceptions, and please see individual start dates in module descriptions below.

Please contact your programme/module coordinator should you need any further information regarding your programme or regarding any module.

If you have registered / are registering for a module and do not yet have access to it on Canvas, please contact your module coordinator so that you don't miss out on important information.

## Second Year Modules 2026/2027

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| Code         | <b>GE2101</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Title        | <b>Integrated German Language Course</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Credits      | 10                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Semester     | 1 and 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Coordinators | Tine Bartels, Dr. Hanna Bingel-Jones                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Contact      | <a href="mailto:tbartels@ucc.ie">tbartels@ucc.ie</a> <a href="mailto:hanna.bingeljones@ucc.ie">hanna.bingeljones@ucc.ie</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Description  | These are the core language modules for all students of all programmes, except BSc International Business (see GE2801). Students will read various text types in the German language and respond to these texts orally and in written form. They will produce a range of original written texts in the target language relating to living in the target language country and to the students' studies, including correspondence, discursive and narrative. An oral practice class will give students the opportunity to develop their spoken German. Grammar classes will reinforce and deepen students' awareness of German linguistic structures. |
| Delivery     | in-person                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Times        | <b>Oral Practice:</b> *groups and locations will be assigned in week 1.<br><b>Grammar/Translation:</b> *groups and locations will be assigned in week 1.<br><b>Writing Practice:</b> Thursdays 12-1, *parallel groups will be assigned in week 1.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Location     | in-class, on campus: times and rooms will be allocated in week 1 - see Canvas groups                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| First class  | <b>Introductory lecture: Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2026, 3-4pm – ORB 2.12</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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| Code     | <b>GE2100</b>             |
| Title    | <b>German Love Poetry</b> |
| Credits  | 5                         |
| Semester | 2                         |

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| Coordinator | Dr habil. Gert Hofmann                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Contact     | g.hofmann@ucc.ie                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Description | We discuss different aspects of the experience of love, friendship, eroticism, compassion, religious devotion, through the interpretation of their poetic reflection. Module Content: We will analyse and interpret various examples from the history of German <i>Liebeslyrik</i> , beginning with the medieval Minnesang (Walther von der Vogelweide), <i>Brautmystik</i> (Mechthild von Magdeburg), putting emphasis on <i>Goethezeit</i> , romanticism (cult of friendship and romantic love, e.g. Novalis), 20 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> century poems (e.g. Erich Fried). |
| Delivery    | In person                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Times       | Monday 12 - 14                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Location    | C_AL_G02                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| First class | Semester 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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| Code        | <b>GE2002</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Title       | <b>Core Elements of German Culture</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Semester    | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Coordinator | Dr Hanna Bingel-Jones                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Contact     | hanna.bingeljones@ucc.ie                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Description | <p>This module looks at key texts, both literary and other, in the German canon.</p> <p>We will explore major contributions to world thought and culture associated with German-speaking cultures and territories, focusing on works by thinkers and authors such as Simmel, Klemperer, Freud, Kafka, and Arendt. Particular attention will be paid to themes, aesthetics, ideologies, and impact. We will also consider the legacy of these works within and beyond the culture and time of their original publication.</p> <p><b>This is a team-taught module.</b></p> |
| Times       | Mondays 9-11                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Location    | ORB 203                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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| First class | Monday, 11th January 2027 |
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| Code        | <b>GE2106</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Title       | <b>An Intercultural Journey: Preparation and Reflective Writing for the Year Abroad</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Semester    | 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Coordinator | Dr Claire O'Reilly                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Contact     | <a href="mailto:Claire.oreilly@ucc.ie">Claire.oreilly@ucc.ie</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Description | As a strategic part of the undergraduate curriculum, the Year Abroad is an important part of international Arts, Business and Language degrees, often leading to transformative and life-changing experiences. However, for such transformational learning to take place, students need to be prepared in a multi-faceted way prior to departure. The aim of this module is to provide i) an understanding of the year abroad addressing cultural and intercultural knowledge and drawing on scholarly evidence ii) a space where students identify their own learning goals in academic, linguistic, professional and personal terms. This module will therefore seek to help the learner navigate and scaffold their inner journey before, and subsequently during, the year abroad by providing helpful tools and concepts. In this way, the main goal will be addressed, namely, to empower the learner to thrive in their new academic and cultural context. |
| Times       | Tuesdays 11-1pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Location    | ORB 1.32                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| First class | Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> September 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| Code        | <b>GE2026</b> (New from 2026)                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Title       | <b>The "Other" Side: Reading the Resistance in Nazi Germany</b>                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Semester    | 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Coordinator | Dr Claire O'Reilly                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Contact     | <a href="mailto:Claire.oreilly@ucc.ie">Claire.oreilly@ucc.ie</a>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Description | The module content will explore different forms of resistance in text and in film. We will discuss both individual activists and biographies, and organised groups who sought to overturn Hitler. Individuals such as Sophie Scholl, who |

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|             | <p>was studying at the University of Munich when she was caught distributing pamphlets written to awaken resistance within the German population, and different groups and voices, including Socialists, Jewish spouses, Communists, faith-based, and organised military activists, will feature in this course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuous Assessment 100 Marks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Presentation - In-class oral presentation (12-15 minutes) and discussion (40 Marks)</li> <li>○ Essay - Written Assignment and Commentary on Bibliography (2,500-3,000 words) (40 Marks)</li> <li>○ Attendance &amp; Participation - Attendance and Participation (20 Marks)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Time        | Wednesdays, 12-2pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Location    | Conn J7                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| First Class | September 09, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| Code        | <b>GE2102</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Title       | <b>Linguistik 1</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Semester    | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Coordinator | Dr Barbara Siller                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Contact     | barbara.siller@ucc.ie                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Description | Although language is essential to human life and we use it daily, we hardly reflect on it. This module will introduce students to the fascinating field of linguistics where they will learn about the nature of signs and language, the structure of words and the patterns of word formation, the sound and meaning of words as well as the structure of sentences. They will also become familiar with sociolinguistic themes, such as dialects, accents and language variation, language change, language and gender, language and age, bilingualism, code-switching and multilingualism, language planning and language rights. |
| Times       | Thursday 9-11                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Location    | Conn_S2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| First class | Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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| Code  | <b>GE2126</b>                                              |
| Title | <b>German Literature from the 18th to the 21st Century</b> |

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| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                            |
| Semester    | 1 and 2                                                                                                                      |
| Coordinator | Dr habil. Gert Hofmann                                                                                                       |
| Contact     | <a href="mailto:g.hofmann@ucc.ie">g.hofmann@ucc.ie</a>                                                                       |
| Description | The most important periods of German literature will be investigated together with their historical and cultural background. |
| Times       | Wed 5 - 6 pm                                                                                                                 |
| Location    | ORB 1.32                                                                                                                     |
| First class | Wednesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2026                                                                                    |

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| Code        | <b>GE2130</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Title       | <b>Constructing &amp; Deconstructing German National Identity: Key Texts in the Development, Expression and Modification of an Idea.</b>                                                                                                                                                             |
| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Semester    | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Coordinator | Judith Bierwolf                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Contact     | <a href="mailto:Judith.Bierwolf@ucc.ie">Judith.Bierwolf@ucc.ie</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Description | This course uses a variety of texts to probe what we mean by “the German nation,” and how this concept came about and changed over time. The module will provide an overview of significant German historical periods to inform the analysis of these texts with regard to German national identity. |
| Times       | Wednesday 10-12                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Location    | ORB G41                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| First class | Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| Code        | <b>GE2150</b>                                |
| Title       | <b>Memory in Contemporary German Fiction</b> |
| Credits     | 5                                            |
| Semester    | 1                                            |
| Coordinator | Dr Barbara Siller                            |

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| Contact     | barbara.siller@ucc.ie                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Description | The various memory cultures and memory forms, including individual, collective and communicative memories, are central to a big number of texts which by literary critics have been called 'fictions of memory'. In this seminar we will do a close reading of one prominent example of this literary genre and learn to identify key aspects of it. The textual analysis will be supported by a discussion of various theoretical texts which will inform the students about concepts central to the notion of memory, such as remembering and forgetting, narrative and identity, and space and belonging. |
| Times       | Thursday, 13-15                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Location    | C_BOOLE_5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| First class | Thursday, 10th September 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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| Code         | <b>GE2801</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Title        | <b>Integrated German Language Course for BSc International Business</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Credits      | 10                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Semester     | 1 and 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Coordinators | Tine Bartels, Dr. Hanna Bingel-Jones                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| Description  | Students will read various text types in the German language and respond to these texts orally and in written form. They will produce a range of original written texts in the target language relating to living in the target language country and to the students' studies, including correspondence, discursive and narrative. An oral practice class will give students the opportunity to develop their spoken German. Grammar classes will reinforce and deepen students' awareness of German linguistic structures. |
| Times        | <b>Oral Practice:</b> *groups and locations will be assigned in week 1.<br><b>Grammar/Translation:</b> *groups and locations will be assigned in week 1.<br><b>Writing Practice:</b> Thursdays 12-1, *parallel groups will be assigned in week 1.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Location     | in-class, on campus: times and rooms will be allocated in week 1 - see Canvas groups                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| <b>First class</b> | <b>Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2026, 3-4pm – ORB 2.12</b> |
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| Code        | <b>GE2805</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Title       | <b>Gender and Power in German Literature and Film</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Semester    | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Coordinator | Susanne Thiel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Contact     | <a href="mailto:Susanne.Thiel@ucc.ie">Susanne.Thiel@ucc.ie</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Description | This module explores literary texts and films that chart and reflect upon the recent history of gender relations in German-speaking countries, including emancipatory movements; backlashes; critiques of patriarchy; heteronormativity and gender-based violence. Consulting theoretical and literary key texts and diverse voices from c. 1890 to the present day, we investigate literature and film as modes of reflection and critique which portray, contest and re-imagine the distribution of social and symbolic power within sex-gender systems. |
| Times       | Monday 12-2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Location    | ORB 1.45                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| First class | Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> January, 2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| Code        | <b>GE2902</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Title       | <b>Political and Social Culture since 1945</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Credits     | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Semester    | 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Coordinator | Susanne Thiel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Contact     | <a href="mailto:Susanne.Thiel@ucc.ie">Susanne.Thiel@ucc.ie</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Description | The aim of the seminar is to give students an overview of German history, culture and society after the Second World War, based on presentations and the discussion of various (literary and/or theoretical) texts, media and film. The seminar will focus on aspects of life in divided Germany and the effects unification continues to have on individuals and on society as a whole. Further cultural issues that influence contemporary Germany, such as the women's movement or remembering Germany's colonial past, will also be discussed. The seminar is also designed to prepare students for their year abroad by familiarizing them with a range of key issues in contemporary German culture. |
| Times       | Monday, 4-6pm (Semester 1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Location    | CONN_C                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| First class | Monday, 14 <sup>th</sup> September, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

## Attendance

Every student registered for a degree is expected to attend **all** lectures, tutorials, laboratory classes etc. A student will not be permitted to enter for an examination at the conclusion of a module if attendance at the module is not considered satisfactory by the Registrar and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs following a report by the lecturer concerned and/or Head of Department/Discipline/School responsible for that module. The decision of the Registrar and Senior Vice President is subject to the appeal of the Academic Council of the University.