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Section: A

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34763

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Course description:

Dieser Kurs konzentriert sich auf deutsches Zeitgeschehen – auf aktuelle Ereignisse und Debatten, die die Menschen in Deutschland gegenwärtig bewegen. Um uns ein vielfältiges Bild der deutschen Gegenwart zu machen, werden wir in unserem Kurs das Tagesgeschehen besprechen. Damit wir uns einen guten Überblick über das aktuelle Geschehen und gegenwartsbezogene Diskussionen in Deutschland verschaffen können, werden wir vor allem gesellschaftliche Debatten und Nachrichten verfolgen. Um über den Zeitgeist des heutigen Deutschlands zu lernen, werden wir Ausschnitte aus verschiedenen Bestsellern der letzten zwei bis drei Jahre lesen, sowie die aktuellen Krisen des Jahres 2026 debattieren.

Academic honesty/integrity statement:

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity. All work submitted must be original and properly cited. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic dishonesty will result in immediate consequences as outlined in the university's academic integrity policy.

Georgia Tech aims to cultivate a community based on trust, academic integrity, and honor. Students are expected to act according to the highest ethical standards. Review Georgia Tech's Academic Honor Code at https://catalog.gatech.edu/policies/honor-code/ and the Student Code of Conduct at https://catalog.gatech.edu/rules/18. Any student suspected of cheating or plagiarizing or using generative AI on a quiz, exam, assignment, or any other work for this class will be reported to the Office of Student Integrity

(https://osi.gatech.edu/), who will investigate the incident and identify the appropriate penalty for violations.

At Georgia Tech we believe that it is important to strive for an atmosphere of mutual respect, acknowledgement, and responsibility between faculty members and the student body. See the GT Student Faculty Expectations (https://catalog.gatech.edu/rules/21/) for some basic expectation that you can have of me and that I have of you. In the end, simple respect for knowledge, hard work, and cordial interactions will help build the environment we seek. Therefore, I encourage you to remain committed to the ideals of Georgia Tech while in this class.

Core IMPACTS statement(s) (if applicable):

This is a Core IMPACTS course that is part of the Arts, Humanities & Ethics area.

Core IMPACTS refers to the core curriculum, which provides students with essential knowledge in foundational academic areas. This course will help master course content, and support students' broad academic and career goals.

This course should direct students toward a broad Orienting Question:

- How do I interpret the human experience through creative, linguistic, and philosophical works?

Completion of this course should enable students to meet the following Learning Outcome:

- Students will effectively analyze and interpret the meaning, cultural significance and ethical implications of literary/philosophical texts in English or other languages, or of works in the visual/performing arts.

Course content, activities and exercises in this course should help students develop the following Career-Ready Competencies:

- Ethical Reasoning
- Information Literacy
- Intercultural Competence