



## GMST 401: Topics in Popular Culture (in German) (1.5 units)

### Spring 2026 – University of Victoria

#### Schedule

Mondays & Thursdays from 11:30am until 12:50pm

#### Prerequisites

Complete 1 of:

- GMST202 - Intermediate German II (1.5)
- GER252 - Conversational German (1.5)

or permission of the school.

#### Description

This course will explore popular cultural trends in German-speaking countries with emphasis on music, film, television and cultural traditions in terms of their historical development and contemporary significance. All four language skills are developed and practiced so that students can effectively discuss and analyze the material in German.

This term, the focus is on German youth culture. As such, the course will deal with German youth language, German rap music, online streaming services such as Twitch, social media (TikTok and Instagram), memes and other cultural phenomena.

#### Textbooks

- Texts and materials will be provided by the instructor

#### Instructor

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Tuesdays from 12:30pm until 1:20pm