

CAREERS INFORMATION



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PT Faculty
French/German
French/German/Spanish

Modern Languages

National 4 German



Career Areas

- Tourism
- Interpreting / translating
- Secretarial / business management
- Journalism / broadcasting
- Teaching / TEFL
- Diplomatic service / Immigration

Further advice and information on these options is available from your subject teacher, guidance teacher and careers adviser.



TURRIFF ACADEMY

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INFORMATION

Why choose to continue to study languages?

TRAVEL - Learning languages gives you greater opportunities to travel and work abroad.

STUDY - Languages combine well with virtually any subject for further study. Many universities even offer funding to help students to extend their language knowledge by spending time abroad.

CAREER - Languages are a life skill highly valued by employers in today's global market; they demonstrate, amongst other things, outstanding communication and team working skills, adaptability, problem solving and commitment.

Why GERMAN?

You might want to learn it to travel to Germany during your summer break, or study in a German-speaking country, or for the sound of the language. It's still important to know that Germany has the third largest economy in the world and is the economic powerhouse of the European Union. The Germans excel in exportation, from cars to machinery and industrial equipment, from pharmaceuticals to household goods. Multi-national business opportunities exist throughout the European Union and in the Eastern European countries, where German is the second most spoken language after Russian. Remember that Germany is Scotland's biggest trading partner in Europe. So if you are looking for employment in the UK, knowing German can give you great advantages.

Purpose of the National 4 course

This course offers you the chance to develop skills in reading, listening, talking and writing in German, these are key skills for learning, work and life. You will also learn to understand how language works and how to get across information and ideas. You will study a wide range of different types of texts in different media. You will also learn to think critically, creatively and develop cultural awareness.

Course Outline

Entry to the course:

The school or college will decide on the entry requirements for the course. You would normally have achieved:

CfE Level 4 German

Course content:

The course has **two compulsory units, plus an added value unit** that assesses your practical skills

• **Understanding Language**

In this unit you will develop reading and listening skills in German and develop your knowledge of straightforward German in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

• **Using Language**

In this unit you will develop talking and writing skills in German and also develop your knowledge of straightforward German in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

• **Added Value Unit: French Assignment**

In this unit you will select relevant information from at least two written texts make a spoken presentation in German, and respond appropriately to questions in German.

ASSESSMENT

- Your teacher or tutor will assess your work on an on going basis throughout the course. Items of work might include:
 - ⇒ practical work – reading, speaking or listening to texts
 - ⇒ written work – producing straightforward texts or reports.
- **You must pass both units plus the added value unit to gain the course qualification.**

FURTHER COURSES IN TURRIFF ACADEMY

In S4/5/6:

National 5 German

National 4 French

National 5 French

Higher French

Advanced Higher French

National 4 Spanish



PROGRESSION

Successful completion of this course may lead to:

- **further study and training** (German National 5 HNC/HND/University Degree ...)
- **employment opportunities** , for example in...
 - Administration & Management
 - Arts, Social Science & Religion
 - Hospitality, Catering & Tourism
 - Languages
 - Law or abroad...
- or simply the **enjoyment of a fuller cultural and linguistic experience** when travelling in a French speaking country.

The reality of today's world of work

- With the growth of the European Union, there is a much greater need for people who have a foreign language.
- 80% of English exporters are unable to conduct business in a foreign language.
- 77% of British exporters believe they lose business because they can't speak other languages.
- 60% of UK employers are dissatisfied with the foreign language skills of school leavers.