

CAREERS INFORMATION



Career Areas

Languages are useful in many business sectors:

- Hospitality and Tourism
- Engineering / oil and gas
- Financial sector
- Marketing and global sales
- Science and conservation
- Secretarial / business management
- Journalism / broadcasting
- Sports
- The Arts
- Teaching
- Interpreting / translating
- Diplomatic service / Armed forces

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

OTHER INFORMATION

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English is NOT enough!
Together we must help Scotland's youngsters realise that "English is enough" is a dangerously misleading myth. Modern Languages Excellence Report (SCILT, 2011)

Modern Languages

National 4 German



TURRIFF ACADEMY

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INFORMATION

Why choose to continue to study languages?

As well as being a fun and motivating experience, learning languages boosts brainpower. Learning a language can help provide:

- A better understanding of their mother tongue, which in turn has a positive effect on literacy.
- Intercultural understanding,
- Empathy, tolerance and appreciation of diversity.
- Better critical thinking skills

Learning a language can delay the symptoms of dementia by up to five years, as well as aid recovery after a stroke.

- and is very good for business.

Why GERMAN?

German is an official language in Austria, Luxembourg, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, eastern France, northern Italy and eastern Belgium. It is also an important second language in many Eastern European countries.

German is the number one language required by UK businesses according to research by the British Council.

Germany, Austria and Switzerland are also popular tourist destinations—for skiing, cruises on the River Rhine, city breaks.

Purpose of the National 4 course

This course offers you the chance to develop key skills for learning, work and life. You will study a wide range of different types of texts from 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 3 German

National 4 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: German 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.

- Your teacher 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**

FURTHER COURSES IN TURRIFF ACADEMY

In S4/5/6:

National 5 German
Higher German
Advanced Higher German
National 4 French
National 5 French
Higher French
Advanced Higher French



PROGRESSION

Successful completion of this course may lead to:

- **further study and training** (German National 5)
- **employment opportunities** (see over)

The reality of today's world of work

- ⇒ Only 6% of world population are native English speakers. 75% don't speak English at all
- ⇒ Language skills are needed at all levels in the workforce, and not simply by an internationally mobile elite.
- ⇒ Only around one third of businesses have no need at all for foreign language skills in their employees – and this is likely to decrease in future. (SCILT)
- ⇒ Germany is Scotland's fourth largest overseas market with sales of £1.9 billion in 2016. (news.gov.scot)
- ⇒ Germany is the third largest source of foreign direct investment into Scotland, with 155 German-owned companies employing nearly 18,000 people. (news.gov.scot)

ASSESSMENT