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Lindenwood University will offer a pair of week-long courses this summer, taught by visiting professors from Germany.

The professors come to the area in a cooperative effort by Lindenwood and the St. Charles municipal government. Both courses are open to high school students, college students, teachers or members of the community and are recommended for anyone interested in the recent history of Germany. Both courses are worth three hours of undergraduate credit. For more information or to enroll in either class, call Jann Weitzel at 636-949-4846.

“A Divided Germany: 1945-1992,” taught by Alexander Folk, concentrates on the political and economic rebuilding of postwar West Germany, its precarious position during the cold war period and the various political developments which made reunification possible. The three-hour class is offered at 9 a.m. and 1:30 June 4—7 with a German dinner from 6—9 p.m. on Friday, June 8. The class entails a \$10 lab fee, in addition to tuition.

“Germany Reunited: 1992 to Present,” taught by Melanie Strumpf, takes a close look at events preceding and following Germany’s reunification in 1990. Students will learn more about the political system of Germany (elections, political parties, government and federalism) and Germany’s role in the European Union. The three-hour class is offered at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on June 4—7 with a German dinner from 6—9 p.m. on Friday, June 8. The class entails a \$10 lab fee, in addition to tuition.

Students currently enrolled in high school may take the course for \$300 tuition; tuition for teachers is \$870. Members of the community may audit the class for no credit at a cost of \$435. The lab fee is not included in any of those three amounts.

Folk and Strumpf come to St. Charles via a cooperative effort by Lindenwood and the city of St. Charles (specifically Ward 6 Councilman Jerry Reese) in connection with St. Charles’ Sister Cities relationship with Ludwigsburg, Germany. Both currently teach high school in Stuttgart, Germany. Strumpf published a book on teaching methods in 2005 and currently serves at a teacher’s trainer at the national seminar for didactics and teacher’s traineeship in Stuttgart. Before teaching high school, Folk taught in a variety of college positions, some of which were in the United States in association with the Fulbright and Bosch foundations.

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