This multimedia course will focus on the rich cultural life of Germany during the so-called Weimar Republic (1918-1933). This was a time of experiments and innovations in the arts, music, literature, and politics that have helped shape European and American culture today. The course will introduce you to the impact of radical cultural changes that redefined virtually every aspect of life, such as the advent of new media (film, radio), the influence of American culture, mass consumption, fashion, new ideas about sexuality and gender roles. We will discuss the role of influential thinkers, analyze examples of modern art and architecture, film, literature, theatre and cabaret.

The course meets Arts and Letters and Multicultural IC requirements.