

German Language Courses at the Department of German Studies

WHAT is offered?

The Department of German Studies offers German language courses for exchange students.

➤ Intensive Courses before start of semester

In September, we offer two-week courses before the university semester begins. The courses start on the same day as the Orientation Week offered by the Office of International Relations. Taking part in both, German language course and Orientation Week, is possible.

There are two levels of language courses:

- 1) Basic: Prerequisite: A1.1 → Course Objective: A1.2
- 2) Advanced: Prerequisite: A2+/B1.1 → Course Objective: B1.2

Please find more detailed information on the next pages.

For further questions and registration please contact: Elke Renner: elke.renner@sbg.ac.at

➤ Semester Courses

A total of seven course levels ranging from A1 to C1 is available.

The basic level courses (A1 and A2) are 8 hours per week (worth 11 ECTS), all other courses are 6 hours per week (worth 9 ECTS). In addition, a 2-hour language skills course especially for oral communication and pronunciation (worth 3 ECTS) is offered at level B2.

HOW can I register for the German semester-courses?

For the winter semester 2019/20, please register personally at one of the teachers' office hours.

Registration deadline is Monday, **September 30st**, 2019. You can find the schedule with the office hours here: <https://www.uni-salzburg.at/index.php?id=23085&L=0&MP=46-44787>

If you have further questions or arrive in Salzburg after September 30, please contact: **Katharina Ferris**: katharina.ferris2@sbg.ac.at

➤ Placement Test

The placement test will take place on Tuesday, **October 1st**, 2019, 9:00 a.m., at Unipark Nonntal, lecture hall E.004.

Beginners do not take a placement test.

The placement test is compulsory if you are not a total beginner.

German Intensive Language courses for exchange students

winter semester 2019/2020: 16 -27 September 2019

Two-week course **before** the university semester begins. The course starts on the same day with the Orientation Week offered by the International Relations Office. Course hours are synchronized with the Orientation Week program. Taking part in both, German language course and Orientation Week, is possible!

The courses are offered for two different language levels:

Basic – NOT for total beginners!

Participants must already have knowledge of German (A1.1)

Course objective: A1.2 (Successful participants will be able to take a follow-up course during the semester that follows).

Advanced

Participants must already be at level A2+ or B1.1

→ A more detailed description of the requirements and course objectives can be found in the leaflet *“Requirements for Intensive Course for exchange students basic/advanced”!*

Guide to self-assessment: <https://www.sprachtest.de/einstufungstest-deutsch>

Dates: 16 -27 September (10 days, three teaching units of 45 minutes per day, 2 semester hours)
Students successfully completing the course will receive **3 ECTS**.

Time: Mondays to Fridays: 9:15-10:45 and 11:00-11:45 a.m.

Contribution to costs: 40.00 € per course (excl. bank charges)

The monthly contribution amount for students is based on the Rectorate’s regulation on contribution fees for extracurricular teaching at the University of Salzburg (University gazette from June 24, 2014). Fees in the amount of € 40.00 are to be paid for 2 semester hours (held as block

modules over the course of 2 weeks). If a student will continue to participate in extracurricular courses throughout the semester, this amount will be taken into account as part of the maximum amount of 120 € per semester.”

Contact and further information:

For organization and registration: **Elke Renner:** Elke.Renner@sbg.ac.at

Queries about the course contents and teaching:

Basic level: **Julia Königs:** Julia.Koenigs@sbg.ac.at

Advanced level: **Elke Renner:** Elke.Renner@sbg.ac.at

Registration: ONLY via e-mail to Department for German Language and Literature, German as a Foreign Language (DaF), Ms. Elke Renner: Elke.Renner@sbg.ac.at

Registration can only be confirmed after the course fee has been transferred to the University of Salzburg bank account! Please note: You won't receive a registration/receipt of payment confirmation before September 4, 2019.

Payment: Please transfer the full amount to the following University of Salzburg bank account after you have registered per e-mail:

Name of Bank:	UniCredit Bank Austria AG
Beneficiary:	Universität Salzburg
IBAN:	AT 531100006953834600
BIC:	BKAUATWW
Purpose of Payment:	L_770110_05 and NAME of student <u>and intensive_BASIC or intensive_ADVANCED</u>

Deadline for receipt of payment: **August 16, 2019**

(Please note that bank transfers can take several days and that bank charges may be incurred, for example when transferring money from outside the EU).

Cancellation conditions:

You can cancel your registration **without incurring any costs until August 30, 2019**. The course fee will be reimbursed in full, either by transfer back to your bank account (whereby bank charges may be deducted) or else in cash in Salzburg. In the event of cancellation **between August 31 and September 18**, 50% of the fee, **€ 20.00, will be retained**. After September 19 100 % fee required!

A course will only take place if **at least 12 students** register. Whether or not a course takes place will be decided on September 3rd, 2019. If a course has to be cancelled, you will be informed as soon as possible. The course fee will be reimbursed in full, either by transfer back to your bank account (whereby bank charges may be deducted).

Maximum number of participants: 25

Students will be admitted to the course according to the date on which payment of their course fee was received. If more than 25 register, a **waiting list** will be set up. Students on the waiting list will be informed whether or not they will be given a place on the course after September 3rd.

Students successfully completing the course will receive **3 ECTS**. You must **attend at least 80% of the course**. (*Absences cannot be compensated through additional homework*).

The final mark is made up of the following components:

- 50 % final test
- 10 % two quizzes during the course
- 20% coursework and homework assignments
- 20 % active participation in lessons

Requirements for German Intensive Course for exchange students - BASIC LEVEL – *not for total beginners!*

You fulfil the requirements for the course if you can answer 'yes' to the following questions
IN GERMAN:

Communication / Kommunikation:

Ich kann Leute begrüßen und mich verabschieden.
Ich kann über mein Befinden sprechen, nach dem Befinden von anderen fragen etc.
Ich kann über meinen Beruf und meine Ausbildung sprechen.
Ich kann über meine Herkunft und meine Muttersprache sprechen.
Ich kann über meine Familie sprechen.
Ich kann buchstabieren und kenne die Zahlen von 1 – 1 Million.
Ich kann über meine Hobbys und meine Freizeitvorlieben sprechen.
Ich kenne die Uhrzeit und die Wochentage sowie die Jahreszeiten.
Ich kann über meine Essgewohnheiten sprechen: Z.B. Ich esse gern...

Structures / Strukturen:

Ich kenne die indefiniten Artikel und die definiten Artikel.
Ich kann Verben konjugieren.
Ich kann den Akkusativ anwenden.
Ich kann das Perfekt bilden.
Ich kann Fragen stellen.

Ich kann den Plural bilden.

Ich kenne einige trennbare Verben.

Course contents:

Students acquire knowledge of the language that enables them subsequently to attend a German course at A2 level. The course is a communicative language course, speaking and listening are practised as much as writing and grammar skills. We will cover the following topics and structures:

Topics from daily life (living in the city, giving directions, appearance and character of people, clothes, daily chores and household matters, rules for living together, making appointments, talking about plans and future wishes, illness and health, weather, festivals and celebration).

Structures (prepositions that take accusative and/or dative, verbs with the dative, modal verbs, the imperative, the perfect tense, comparisons, the present subjunctive with 'würde', ordinal numbers ...) Students will complete a coursework portfolio which makes up part of their final mark.

Course objectives:

Students who successfully complete the course will be able to talk about familiar topics with their fellow students during their time in Salzburg (family, hobbies, where they live, hopes and plans). They will be able to arrange appointments, find their way around town, and communicate their feelings and state of health. By the end of the course, students will be able to make themselves understood and understand simple German, if their interlocutor speaks slowly and clearly and is willing to help.

The following test can help to assess your own language skills more accurately:

<https://www.sprachtest.de/einstufungstest-deutsch>

Requirements for German Intensive Course for exchange students - Advanced LEVEL -

No translation offered. We expect students applying for this level to understand (*more or less*) the German text!