



## Learn the Language, Understand the Culture, Experience Berlin! German for Beginners and Advanced Beginners

### Overview

Our language courses combine intensive German language classes with a taste of the unique culture and history of Berlin and Germany. We offer two courses at beginners' level: one for absolute beginners and one for advanced beginners. Both courses place special focus on communication and pronunciation, featuring a series of fun, interactive activities such as tongue twisters.

### Date

4–24 July 2021 (three weeks)

### Course Content

The interactive classes cover general language skills, core grammatical structures, basic vocabulary, and knowledge about German culture and life.

The course programme also includes:

- Cultural excursions
- Module on German culture and society from an intercultural perspective

### Number of Participants

Approximately 15

### Course Fees

€ 690 (without accommodation)

This includes tuition and application fees, health, accident and liability insurance, study visits, most parts of the culture and leisure time programme.

### Credits

- 70 contact hours
- 60 contact hours language course incl. study visits
- 10 contact hours German culture and society
- Up to 6 ECTS credits

### Accommodation

- Student hostel (double room)
- Arrival 4 July (move-in), departure 24 July (move-out)
- Optional booking upon request

### Culture and Leisure Time Programme

The summer school team offers participants a wide variety of optional cultural and social events in Berlin and the surrounding area (e. g. museums, palaces, trips to Potsdam and Sachsenhausen etc.) about twice a week.

### Registration Deadline

- 1 April 2021
- 15 March 2021 for nominated students from partner universities

### Contact, Enquiries and Registration

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## Syllabus DA – German for Beginners

### Target Group

Students aged 18 years and above of all disciplines with no prior German language knowledge.

### Lecturers

Christine Belakhdar and Dr. Radouane Belakhdar

### Learning Outcomes

- ▮ Learn basic German grammar and build up basic vocabulary
- ▮ Develop communication skills related to the vital aspects of everyday life
- ▮ Improve pronunciation skills
- ▮ Increase knowledge of German culture
- ▮ Deepen cross-cultural awareness

### Course Content

- ▮ Introducing yourself and others (outlining personal details, family members etc.)
- ▮ Dealing with daily life (studying at university, languages, leisure activities)
- ▮ Making a date / arranging a meeting (date and time, directions, transportation)
- ▮ Food and beverages (products, shopping, restaurant, type of preparation)
- ▮ Work and leisure time
- ▮ Body parts / consulting a doctor
- ▮ Navigating the city: Buildings, transport and giving/receiving directions

### Assessment

Presentation / oral interaction in class / final test (written)

## Syllabus DF – German for Advanced Beginners

### Target Group

Students aged 18 years and above of all disciplines with basic knowledge (A1) of German (after studying for 1-2 semesters).

### Lecturers

Anemone Horn and Rosemarie Stephan

### Learning Outcomes

- ▮ Improve students' competencies in language usage (specifically speaking)
- ▮ Develop students' ability to pronounce German (emphasis on phonetics)
- ▮ Increase knowledge of German culture
- ▮ Deepen cross-cultural awareness

### Course Content

- ▮ Introducing yourself and your partner
- ▮ Meeting new people
- ▮ Making a date / Arranging a meeting
- ▮ Food and beverages / eating out / socialising
- ▮ Shopping
- ▮ Housing
- ▮ Clothing / outfits
- ▮ Body parts / consulting a doctor
- ▮ Weather
- ▮ German sayings
- ▮ Living in the city / everyday culture
- ▮ Berlin: 1945/46 and the Berlin Wall (listening and visual comprehension)

### Assessment

Oral interaction in class / final test (written)

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### Additional Module for both DA and DF courses

- ▮ Students will be exposed to various aspects of German culture and society through a series of site visits and reflective papers
- ▮ The reflective papers (one per study week) should be related to an aspect of German culture and society and/or students' intercultural experience

For a more detailed syllabus, please email [summer@hwr-berlin.de](mailto:summer@hwr-berlin.de)

\* Please note that course content/lecturers may be subject to change

