

Syllabus: “German as a Foreign Language A1.1”

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(a) Inhalt und Ansatz | Content and Approach

- The course focuses on the acquisition of basic knowledge of the German language in the areas of lexis, grammar and phonetics and is based on language competency level A1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).
- Course content:
 - Introduction and practice of lexis on simple topics, such as first contacts in language courses, leisure time, family, living, travel, appointments and everyday life;
 - Introduction and practice of initial grammatical structures, such as article and noun declension in the nominative and accusative cases, verb forms in the present, word order in declarative and interrogative sentences, the use of the imperative, verbs with separable and inseparable particles;
 - Exercises in phonetics and listening comprehension;
- The course is not designed for students with native language competencies in German.
- Registration on Stud.IP is required in order to take part in the course.
- The number of participants is limited.

(b) Qualifikationsziele | Learning Objectives

- The focus of the course is on communicative tasks that aim to develop and improve the ability of the students to express themselves in everyday life.
- The students will be able to
 - understand and apply simple words, everyday expressions, and very simple structures in very familiar situations in order to respond to questions directly addressed to them.
 - use simple expressions that help them communicate their everyday needs in familiar situations where misunderstandings could arise.
 - communicate in a simple manner with speakers who employ a clearly spoken standard language and are ready to repeat and reformulate phrases to aid understanding.
 - employ a few simple grammatical structures and sentence patterns in their speech and written communication and link words, word groups or short sentences with the connectors “und”, “aber”, “oder”, “denn”.
 - identify the topic and understand individual pieces of information in highly contextualized texts through illustrations and other aids.
 - understand names, numbers, prices and times when spoken clearly or when texts are simply formulated and relate to specific needs in everyday life.
 - write short, simple texts in form of an email or a message in order to maintain social contacts with peers and native speakers.
 - express themselves through simple sentences about familiar topics in written communication with the aid of a dictionary.

(c) Kursstruktur | Course Structure

- 4 weekly lecture hours

Group 1:	Monday	14:00-15:30	Room: D 0110
	Wednesday	14:00-15:30	Room: D 0110
Group 2:	Monday	16:00-17:30	Room: D 0110
	Wednesday	16:00-17:30	Room: D 0110

(d) Kontakt | Contact

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(e) Studien- und Prüfungsleistungen | Course Assessment

- Written examination (90 min)
- Examination date: 11/07/2025
- 5 ECTS
- It is required to register via QIS between 16/06/2025 and 29/06/2025 for assessment.