

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 communicative skills in the German language (level A1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, CEFR). The lessons cover the four productive and receptive competences of speaking, writing, listening and visual comprehension and reading comprehension while following plurilingual approaches for language learning through intercomprehension and language comparisons (REPA).
- Course content:
 - Introduction and practice of lexis on simple topics, such as first contacts in formal and informal situations, leisure time, family, living, food, travel 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, sentence structure with modal verbs;
 - Authentic audiovisual material.
- The course takes place online. A stable internet connection, a working microphone and a camera are required.
- 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
 - communicate orally in familiar formal and informal situations and respond to questions on familiar topics;
 - use intercomprehensive strategies to understand unknown words and to identify the topic and detailed information in highly contextualized texts through illustrations and other aids;
 - pick out detailed information and understand the overall idea of audio texts with speakers who employ a clearly spoken standard language or few marked dialects;
 - employ a few simple grammatical structures and sentence patterns in their speech and written communication;
 - use typical language expressions routinely both orally and in writing;
 - write short, simple texts in form of short messages or descriptions of people;
 - identify special features of German syntax, pronunciation and morphology.

(c) Kursstruktur | Course Structure

- The online access to the course will be made available via Stud.IP in the course profile.

- 4 weekly lecture hours | online live sessions
Monday 16:00-17:30
Wednesday 16:00-17:30

(d) Kontakt | Contact

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(e) Studien- und Prüfungsleistungen | Course Assessment

- Written Examination (90 min), active participation and attendance
- Examination Date: 09/07/2025
- 5 ECTS
- It is required to register through QIS between 16/06/2025 and 29/06/2025 for assessment.