

German Courses for international students in English speaking degree programs

We are pleased that you have chosen an English-language degree program at our university. A basic command of German, however, will definitely be very helpful during the course of your stay in Germany. Maybe you have already started to learn some German in your home country.

In the upcoming winter term of 2021/22, we will offer two German language courses at the A1 and the B1 levels that you are very welcome to join. The exact level will depend on the prior language knowledge of the participants. Due to the ongoing pandemic and the fact that many international students may not have been able to arrive on campus, these courses will be taught online. Once we know that you are interested in participating in a German course, we will send you via email the link to join the web meetings.

The A1 course is intended for international students who have no or almost no knowledge of German, i.e. for (absolute) beginners. The B level course is suitable for students with some profound knowledge of German already. The aim of the courses is to facilitate your linguistic, cultural and social integration at the university and in everyday situations in Germany. The textbook used (*DaF kompakt neu*, Klett Publishing House, digital version) is especially suitable for students who want to gain language skills in the areas of study and work combined with the acquisition of cultural and regional knowledge about Germany.

All students will be asked to take an online placement test before the course starts. This is of course not necessary if you have no knowledge of German at all. Students are placed in the appropriate course according to their test results. Whenever possible, you should use the placement test that is included in our free online course offerings for foreign languages (Speexx). A complete online course of German as a foreign language (A1 to B2) is also available, which you can use at any time. You need to create your user account at the TH OWL and register in the Ecampus (ILIAS) with the password assigned to you. You can change the password later. Please inform me about your placement test result (as screenshot or in the text of your mail).

Courses will most likely take place on Wednesdays at 6.00 pm CET (A1 Course) and 7.30 pm CET (B1 Course) and will start in October. The exact starting date is yet to be determined. To gather information on your interest to participate in a German language course, please fill in this little questionnaire. You can simply write into this template and then save and send the document to:

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<i>Requested Information / Gewünschte Informationen</i>	<i>Your Answers / Ihre Antworten</i>
Family name / Familienname	
First Name / Vorname	
Sex (male, female, diverse) / Geschlecht (männlich, weiblich, divers)	
Date of birth / Geburtsdatum (dd.mm.yyyy)	
Country of birth / Heimatland	
Current residence / Wohnort	
Degree program / Studiengang at the TH OWL	
Knowledge of German / Deutschkenntnisse (Level A1, A2, B1 etc.)	
German Language Test / Deutschtest (Yes/Ja, Name of Test – No/Nein)	
Time Lag with Germany / Zeitunterschied mit Deutschland (if any / wenn vorhanden)	
E-Mail Address / Adresse	
Special interest in German & Germany / Besonderes Interesse an Deutsch & Deutschland	
<i>Other topics? / Andere Themen?</i>	

If you have further questions, comments etc., please let me and my colleagues know. We look forward to hearing from you! Have a safe journey and stay healthy!

Alles Gute und viele Grüße!

Siegbert Klee