



SMART CHOICE GERMAN

Welcome to the Goethe-Institut Glasgow!



GOETHE
INSTITUT

ABOUT US

The Goethe-Institut is the Federal Republic of Germany's cultural institute, active worldwide. We promote the study of German abroad and encourage international cultural exchange. The head office is located in Munich, Germany. The Goethe-Institut Glasgow was established in 1973.

WE PROVIDE:

- language courses and exams
- teacher training and school liaison work
- a lending library and information centre
- a programme of cultural events organised with local partners

LANGUAGE LEARNING WITH THE GOETHE-INSTITUT

The Goethe-Institut has been the world's largest provider of German courses for over 50 years. Every year more than 200,000 people take courses at all levels at more than 100 Goethe-Instituts abroad and the 13 institutes in Germany.

REASONS TO LEARN WITH THE GOETHE-INSTITUT

- ⇒ all our courses follow a communicative approach and are held in a relaxed friendly atmosphere.
- ⇒ free access to our Moodle virtual learning environment
- ⇒ free membership of the in-house library & media centre
- ⇒ our courses and language certificates are internationally recognised
- ⇒ we offer online learning support and individual assessment
- ⇒ we use authentic materials and prepare for real-life situations
- ⇒ our teaching staff are highly qualified native or near-native speakers and trained for teaching German as a foreign language
- ⇒ internal quality management and external quality audits ensure a high standard of our courses and examinations
- ⇒ our course system follows the *Common European Reference Framework for Languages* which allows for international comparison
- ⇒ free WiFi access for the duration of the course

GERMAN LANGUAGE PROGRAMME

EXTENSIVE COURSES

Once-a-week, two semesters per year, 16 weeks per semester. We start semesters in February and in September.

- General language courses
Our progression courses aim at developing speaking, listening, reading and writing skills as well as pronunciation.

- Special interest courses
For keeping up your German skills or focussing on specific skills and interests.

INDIVIDUAL TUITION

By arrangement. Tailor-made tuition on one-to-one basis and for small groups.

ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE PRACTICE

Short courses and workshops for language practice in June, July, September.

INTENSIVE COURSES IN GERMANY

Offered throughout the year at the 13 Goethe-Institutes in Germany. General language courses (2-weeks, 4-weeks, 8-weeks). All levels. Plus special interest courses for work and leisure. Courses for young learners (9 - 18) are offered during the summer.

ONLINE GROUP COURSES

A combination of independent study and collaborative work with fellow students. Live sessions for practising oral communication. Tutor support. Fixed course start and end.

ONLINE INDIVIDUAL COURSES

Can be started any time and at your own pace of learning and can be fitted around your personal schedule (within a 9 month period).



ONCE YOU ARE ENROLLED

METHODOLOGY

The language of instruction is German – right from the very first lesson. Our special teaching methodology will make it easy to follow and take part in the classes. A variety of different types of activities, discussions, role plays and written homework will quickly familiarise you with the German language. You will spend time working alone, in pairs and in groups to acquire all the language skills and culture-specific information you need to communicate successfully in German.

CHANGE OF COURSE

If you are not satisfied with the course level we enrolled you in, please do not hesitate to consult your teacher up to two weeks after the commencement of the course. He/she will advise you on which class to move to (subject to places).

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

We will issue a Certificate of Attendance at the end of every semester. This certificate can only be supplied after you attended more than 75 percent of the classes.

EXAMINATIONS

After completion of a level you can also take one of the Goethe Institut examinations to obtain a graded certificate (reduced fee for our students).

STUDENT GUIDANCE

If you feel that you are struggling with your coursework in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your teacher. He/she will give you advice.

ONLINE SUPPORT

Every student gets free access to our virtual learning environment (Moodle). Students will receive weekly messages to find out what was covered in class, are supplied with additional materials, interesting weblinks, opportunities to practise reading, writing and listening skills.

How to log on?

First you need to sign up for a "My Goethe.de" account on our website. You will receive the enrolment key from your teacher at the start of the course.

COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

If you have a complaint regarding the course administration, please contact the Language Office. For any problems relating to your course please contact your teacher in the first instance. Should neither of these provide a solution please write to the course director.

DESCRIPTION OF LANGUAGE LEVELS

All courses at the Goethe-Institut Glasgow are based on the **Common European Framework of Reference for Languages**, which defines language skills as follows:

A1 includes levels A1.1 & A1.2

The speaker can understand and use familiar, day-to-day expressions and simple sentences and can introduce him/herself and others. He/she can ask other people personal questions and respond to such questions themselves. He/she can conduct a basic conversation provided the other speakers speak slowly and clearly and are willing to help. Concluded by

Goethe-Zertifikat A1: Fit in Deutsch 1 (Young People)
Goethe-Zertifikat A1: Start Deutsch 1

A2 includes levels A2.1 & A2.1

The speaker can understand sentences and frequently used expressions which relate to the immediate situation (for example information about the speaker, about work etc). The speaker can communicate in familiar, simple situations about familiar topics. He/she can describe his/her own background and education using simple constructions and can talk about the immediate surroundings and immediate needs. Concluded by

Goethe-Zertifikat A2: Fit in Deutsch Young People)
Goethe-Zertifikat A2

B1 includes levels B1.1 & B1.2 & B1.3

The speaker can understand the main points in a conversation about familiar topics like work, school, free time etc. provided other speakers use clear standard language. The speaker can manage most situations that can be encountered when travelling in the target language's country. He/she can speak coherently about familiar topics and areas of interest using simple constructions.

Concluded by **Goethe-Zertifikat B1**

B2 includes levels B2.1 & B2.2 & B2.3

The speaker can understand the main points of complex texts about concrete and abstract topics. In his/her own specialist area, the speaker can follow specialist discussions. The speaker is able to communicate spontaneously and fluently, allowing a normal conversation with native speakers without great effort on either side. He/she can talk about a wide range of topics clearly and in detail.

Concluded by **Goethe-Zertifikat B2**

C1 includes levels C1.1 & C1.2 & C1.3

The speaker can understand a wide range of sophisticated, long texts and can understand implicit meanings. The speaker can use the language in social and professional situations or in training and study both effectively and flexibly. The speaker can discuss complex topics exhaustively and in a structured manner.

Concluded by **Goethe-Zertifikat C1**

C2 >C2

The speaker can effortlessly understand everything he/she hears or reads. The speaker can communicate spontaneously, very fluently and precisely and is able to communicate nuances of meaning.

Concluded by **Goethe-Zertifikat C2: GDS**



MULTI-MEDIA LIBRARY & INFORMATION CENTRE

Our Library is open to all and provides information and resources in both German and English. We offer a lending as well as an eLibrary service. Our library also organises free events for language learners.

LIBRARY OPENING TIMES:

Monday, 16:00 - 19:00

Tuesday, 16:00 - 19:00

Wednesday, 11:00 - 19:00

Thursday, 11:00 - 19:00

Saturday, 09:30 - 13:30



CULTURAL PROGRAMME



In close co-operation with arts organisations in Scotland and Germany, the cultural department of the Goethe-Institut Glasgow organises and supports a wide range of events in the fields of theatre, music, visual arts, literature and films. For up-to-date information subscribe to our electronic newsletter.

Students of the Goethe-Institut qualify for concession prices for selected events that are part of the Goethe-Institut cultural programme.



JOIN OUR ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

for updates on our forthcoming events.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Our building is an A-listed building and this, unfortunately, severely limits our provision for persons with reduced mobility. To discuss any assistance we might be able to provide, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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HOW TO GET HERE

Underground:

St George's Cross or
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Buses:

Woodlands Rd: FirstBus 4, 4A

Sauchiehall St: FirstBus 3, 3A, 77
& McGill's 17

Great Western Road: FirstBus 6, 6A, 6B

Train:

Charing Cross Station

Car:

Parking is available close to the Institute.
Unmetered parking Monday to Friday
after 6 pm and Saturday.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

For full details of our terms & conditions, please visit our website:

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