

#### DAS GOETHE-INSTITUT SRI LANKA: AN DIESEM ORT ÖFFNET SICH EINE NEUE WELT.

The Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka: Where a whole new world opens up





Sharing a common language paves the way to an intercultural exchange with no barriers. This is the starting point for the Goethe-Institut. As an official cultural institution of the Federal Republic of Germany, we are much more than a language school. With our wide-ranging cultural programs and access to our libararies, we bring the german language, culture and society to life everywhere in the world.

Lanuages open up horizons - no matter when or where. Since it opened in 1962 the Goethe-Institut in Sri Lanka has broadened the professional and personal horizons of 200,000 people who have attended its German courses. But stepping inside the Goethe-Institut means an encounter with more than just the German language - it's an encounter with Germany. Welcome to the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka.









#### MAN KANN DEUTSCHLAND BESCHREIBEN. ODER ES AM BESTEN GLEICH SELBST ERLEBEN.

You can describe Germany. Or even better come and experience it for yourself.





At the Goethe-Institut, learning German is not only about grammar rules and vocabulary. It also means exploring German litrature, music, film, and current affaris as well as getting to know German cuisine. And where else but at the Goethe-Institut can you hope to bump into such luminaries from the world of the arts and letters as Tilda Swinton, Dame A.S. Byatt, DJ Ben Klock, Ian McEwan and Antony Gormley





Our basis for working with others is a dialog between partners. Within our networks and with our cooperative partners we have been developing innovative programs and concepts for teaching and presnting language and culture for more than six decades, and are firmly committed to quality. With passion and a consistent track record.

### DIE BRÜCKE NACH DEUTSCHLAND: UNSERE SPRACHKURSE UND SPRACHZERTIFIKATE.

The bridge to Germany: Our language courses and language certificates.

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.

There are many different ways of learning German through the Goethe-Institut. We offer courses at the Goethe-Institut in Sri Lanka, in Germany and through our distance learning programmes.

- // No matter where you're learning: Our course system corresponds to the Common European Framework of References for Languages, which means the levels are comparable internationally
- // A flexible and effecient system : All of our courses and language certificates are internationally recognised with a coordinated modular structure
- // Always tailor-made: All over the world the Goethe-Institut offers language courses that match your language skills. Whether its a group course, individual lessons or distance learning: We'll find the right solution for your learning requirements.
- **// Learn when and where you want:** In our blended learning courses you'll alternate between learning at the institute and wherever you happen to be. You'll benefit from flexibillity in terms of time and location while still being part of a group of learners.
- // Quality as a goal and a commitmet: An internal quality management process and external quality audits ensure the high standards of our language courses and examinations.
- **// Always available:** Contact us for a consultation and we will create a personal course plan for you anywhere and anytime.
- // The go-to people for German teachers around the world: In cooperation with government offices and educational institutions, every year we offer more than 1,000 in-service training events for German teachers everywhere in the world.

# INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED LANGUAGE CERTIFICATES

No matter what course you choose: You'll have the opportunity to obtain certfication of the language skills you acquire.



#### **LEARNING GERMAN IN GERMANY**

Experience the full variety Germany has to offer at 13 different institutes.



# GET FAMILIAR WITH LEARNING GERMAN THROUGH A DISTANCE LERANING COURSE

Be flexible - In your schedule and location



#### **GENERAL LANGUAGE COURSES**

#### For Participants (over the age of 16)

Are you interested in learning the German Language with professionals, on weekdays or weekends, morning or afternoons, online or face-to-face: the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka offers you intensive, superintensive and extensive courses at all levels, taught by highly qualified teachers. Our courses use a communicative approach and emphasize intercultural understanding. The classes are taught in German, from the very first lesson and reflect the latest developments in mondern methodology and didactics

All classes will be offered in the following different formats:

- Physical
- Online Live Classes via Zoom
- Online Group Classes without a tutor

#### **SUPER-INTENSIVE COURSES**

- Length of course: 7 weeks / 35 Days
- Frequency: 5 times per week or 4 times per week
- Participants: Minimum 10 to Maximum 21



## **SUPER-INTENSIVE ONLINE COURSES**

- Length of course: 6 weeks / 28 Days
- Frequency: 5 times per week
- Participants: Minimum 10 to Maximum 21

**A1** 

**A2** 

 Time: 9.00 am - 01.10 pm 105 hours (140 UE)

## **INTENSIVE COURSES**

- Length of course: 14 weeks / 28 Days
- Frequency: 2 times per week saturday and sunday
- Participants: Minimum 10 to Maximum 21

**A1** 

**A2** 

B2.1

B2.2

- Time: 8.15 am 12.20 pm 1.15 pm 5.20 pm
- 105 hours (140 UE)

**B1** 

- Time: 8.15 am 02.05 pm
- 132 hours (175 UE)

# **EXTENSIVE COURSES**

- Length of course: 7 weeks / 14 days
- Frequency: 1 time per week (Saturday or Sunday)
- Participants: minimum 10 to maximum 21

**A1** 

**A2** 

- Time: 8.15 am 12.20 pm or 1.15 pm -5.20 pm
- 52.5 hours (70 UE)



The library of the Goethe-Institut provides a wide range of books, periodicals, CDs and DVDs - in German as well as in English - covering German literature, films, geography, history, society, fine arts and philosophy.

Language students find varied language and teaching material on German as a foreign language. Goethe-Institut language students are granted free membership of the library for the duration of their course. The annual membership fee for external members is 2000 LKR.

#### **Gudied Library Tours**

At the beginning of each course we introduce students to the Goethe-Institut and to the services of our library, play games or quizzes, and familiarise students with the available learning and study materials.

#### **Opening Hours**

Monday to Thursday - 9.30 am. to 1.00 pm. / 2.00 pm. to 6.00 pm. Friday - 9.30 am. to 1.00 pm. Saturday - 11.00 am. to 3.00 pm

Email: library-colombo@goethe.de



# **DIGITAL GERMAN EXAMS**

The digital exams take place in the exam center, on institute laptops with a German keyboard. Participants complete the reading, writing and listening modules is conducted (with headphones) on a laptop. The speaking module with experienced examiners.









Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst German Academic Exchange Service Every year, thousands of international students and scholars choose to study

in Germany because of the

many benefits that are offered such as, international programmes taught in English medium, excellent quality of education, no tuition fees, promising career opportunities, social security and above all, the vibrant social and cultural milieu.

In Germany, every university is autonomous. This means that every university/study programme has its own set of criteria for admitting students. Therefore, please check the university website and following sources for more information.

International programs in Germany

: www.daad.de/idp

DAAD upcoming events Bachelor's programs

: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/event

Master's programs in Germany

: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/bachelor : www.daad-sri-lanka.org/master

PhD programs in Germany

: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/phd

Funding opportunities by DAAD and other German Organizations: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/scholarship

German Embassy Colombo/Visa matters: www.colombo.diplo.de/visa

DAAD - German Academic Exchange Service Delegation of German Industry and Commerce in Sri Lanka

15th Floor, EKROMA Building,127, W. A. D. Ramanayake Mw, Colombo 02. Sri Lanka

Email: info@daad-sri-lanka.org Phone: +94 11 231 43 64 / 67 Mobile: +94 71 162 5334

immediate relevance (personal information, family, shopping, local geography, employment). Can communicate in simple and routine situations involving a direct exchange of information on familiar matters. Can describe simple aspects of their at the satisfaction of needs of a concrete type. Can introduce themselves and others and ask/answer questions about personal details. Can interact in a simple way if the Can understand the main points when clear, standard language is used and when dealing with familiar matters such as work, school, leisure, etc. Can handle most dreams, hopes and ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions Can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, Can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases aimed Can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most situations likely to arise when travelling in German-speaking areas. Can express themselves simply and coherently on familiar topics. Can describe experiences, events, **SKILLS DESCRIPTION** background and immediate environment. LANGUAGE SKILLS AT VARIOUS LEVELS other person speaks slowly and clearly. LANGUAGE CERTIFICATES Goethe-Zertifikat A1 / Fit in Deutsch Goethe-Zertifikat A2 Goethe-Zertifikat B2 **Goethe-Zertifikat B1 COURSE LEVELS** 

Can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts and recognise implicit meaning. Can express ideas fluently and spontaneously without obvious searching for expressions. Can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes. including technical discussions in their field of specialisation. Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain. Can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain viewpoints on topical issues, giving the advantages and

Can produce clear, well-structured, detailed texts on complex subjects, showing controlled Can effortlessly understand practically everything, including highly abstract, structurally very fluently and precisely, conveying subtle shades of meaning even in complex complex or linguistically sophisticated texts such as manuals, specialised articles, literary works. Can summarise information from various written and spoken sources, reconstructing arguments in a coherent manner. Can express themselves spontaneously use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices situations.

Goethe-Zertifikat C2 /

**Großes Deutsches** Sprachdiplom

Goethe-Zertifikat C1



DLL (Deutsch Lehren Lernen) is the Goethe-Institut's professional training program for German teachers, offering modern, practice-oriented methods to improve teaching skills. Through flexible modules and practical tasks, DLL helps educators strengthen their classroom techniques and stay up to date with international teaching standards.

**CONTACT -** Nadee.Weerasekara@goethe.de

# **JOIN OUR DLL PROGRAM**

# INTRESTED IN BECOMING A GERMAN TEACHER?

# GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS WEBSHOP ADDITIONS TO THE GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR LANGUAGE COURSES AT THE GOETHE-INSTITUT SRI LANKA

#### **PREAMBLE**

These additions supplement the General Terms and Conditions of the Goethe-Institut e.V., which govern all aspects of transactions made through the Goethe-Institut's Webshop. The General Terms and Conditions of the Goethe-Institut e.V. are sent to each customer during the booking process and apply to the booking of both exams and courses.

These additions to the General Terms and Conditions of the Goethe-Institut e.V. regulate procedures related to the language courses offered by the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka

The language courses listed on the website www.goethe.de/srilanka are offered by the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka in accordance with the regulations and quality standards of the Goethe Institut e.V. in Munich. The language course portfolio of the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka includes in-person courses, hybrid formats, and online formats. Various course intensities are also offered. Further details about each offering can be found on the website.

#### REGISTRATION

The current course offerings are published both on the website and in the course brochure. Information about course offerings, enrollment periods, course fees, prerequisites, and other details is made available transparently and can be accessed by everyone.

Enrollment in courses takes place exclusively through the webshop on the official website of the Goethe-Institut. Registration is done individually. Course seats are not sold through third parties.

Please ensure that the information entered the system at the time of registration is correct. Check the accuracy of your personal details on your booking confirmation. These are the details that will appear in all communications and on all issued documents, including certificates

If you notice any errors, please contact the language course and examination office of the respective institute immediately. Contact information can be found on the official website www.goethe.de/srilanka and at the end of this document.

Any correction of personal data after registration will incur an administrative fee of 3000 LKR (including Tax).

#### **COURSE FEE AND PAYMENT**

The course fee is due at the time of registration. Once paid, course fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. For bookings made via the website, the General Terms and Conditions of the Webshop apply.

The amount of the course fee is clearly displayed in the Webshop before and during the booking process. It includes the legally mandated 2.5% SSCL and 18% VAT.

The course fee does not include the cost of the textbook, unless explicitly stated otherwise. The textbook must be purchased separately. The Goethe-Zertifikat exam is also not part of the course and is not included in the course fee.

Payment is made directly in the Webshop using the payment methods specified there.

#### LEVEL ASSESSMENT TEST

Individuals who have already learned German independently or with another provider, or whose German course or exam at the Goethe-Institut was more than 6 months ago, must take a level assessment test.

The level assessment test is not an official language certificate but rather provides an overview of your language skills. Based on the test results, a course level recommendation will be made.

The test can be taken online from home and is not supervised. It does not meet the strict examination conditions of the Goethe-Zertifikat and is therefore intended only as a guide.

To ensure realistic results and an accurate course level recommendation, we strongly encourage you to take the test seriously, independently and without any aids.

The level assessment test is free of charge and can be booked here: book Level Assessment Test.

The course level recommendation will be sent shortly after completing the test to the email address provided during registration.

#### **TERMS OF PARTICIPATION**

The courses offered by the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka are generally open to all interested individuals.

Standard courses are adult courses and are intended for individuals who are at least 17 years old. For teenagers and young learners, the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka offers dedicated courses. These are clearly marked as such. The minimum and maximum age requirements for these courses are specified in the course description

Some courses can only be booked with prior or specialized knowledge. These prerequisites, as well as the methods for providing proof of them, are outlined in the course description.

We reserve the right to contact individuals who do not match the target group of a course and, if necessary, deny admission to the course. In all such cases, we strive to offer suitable alternative options that match the target group.

#### WITHDRAWAL

For all bookings made via the Webshop, the General Terms and Conditions of the Goethe-Institut e.V. apply, which are sent along with the booking confirmation.

If enrollment is done through our registration office, the following rules apply:

For withdrawals up to 4 weeks before the course begins, 10% of the course fee will be retained as an administrative charge.

For withdrawals between 4 weeks and 1 week before the course begins, the administrative fee is 20% of the course fee.

For withdrawals between 1 week and 1 day before the course begins, the administrative fee is 30% of the course fee.

No refunds are possible after the course has started. All withdrawal requests must be submitted in writing.

#### **CLASS SIZE**

Our courses take place when at least 10 participants are registered.

The maximum number of participants is 21 in regular courses

#### COURSE CANCELLATION BY THE GOETHE-INSTITUT

If a course does not reach the minimum number of participants, the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka reserves the right to cancel the course. In such cases, registered participants will be contacted, and alternative course dates will be offered. If no alternative dates are available or suitable, the paid course fee will be refunded.

The same applies to other reasons that may force the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka to cancel a course before it begins

#### **SWITCH TO ONLINE LIVE CLASSES**

The Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka reserves the right to switch in-person or hybrid classes to online live instruction at short notice if required by official directives or due to safety concerns for participants and staff.

Such changes will be communicated as promptly as possible via official channels, including an email to the address provided during registration and through the online course platform associated with the course.

There is no entitlement to a refund or compensation for lessons conducted online.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION**

Course participants who actively attend at least 70% of the lessons (as recorded in the attendance list in the online course room) will receive a certificate of participation via email at the end of the course. This certificate does not serve as official proof of language proficiency and does not replace taking an official language exam such as the Goethe-Zertifikat.

This certificate does not serve as official proof of language proficiency and does not replace taking an official language exam such as the Goethe-Zertifikat.

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

At the beginning of the course, you will be briefed on emergency procedures such as fire safety. These instructions must be strictly followed.

Please always follow the instructions of the teachers and staff of the institute. On the premises, including inside the buildings, respectful, considerate, and non-violent (both physical and verbal) behaviour is expected. Consideration also includes being mindful of the diverse needs of our visitors. Loud conversations and music are not permitted outside of designated activities.

If someone's behaviour endangers the safety of others on the premises or causes disturbances—and this behaviour continues despite warnings from staff—the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka reserves the right to issue a ban from the premises and ask the individual to leave.

If a person is asked to leave or is banned from the premises, there is no entitlement to compensation for missed services.

#### LIABILITY OF THE GOETHE-INSTITUT

The liability of the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka and its staff is limited to cases of negligence. The institute is not liable for service disruptions caused by force majeure, such as civil unrest, war or terrorist conflicts, natural disasters, epidemics, etc., which are beyond the control of the contracting parties.

The Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka will make every effort to offer alternative arrangements for such disruptions, where circumstances allow. These may include rescheduled classes or changes in venue. If such alternatives cannot be provided, the course will be cancelled without replacement or financial compensation

#### **COURSE FEEDBACK**

If you have any questions, complaints, or compliments, please contact: feedback-colombo@goethe.de

We will respond to your inquiry promptly. Your concerns are important to us.

At the end of each course, an anonymous survey is conducted where you can also provide feedback on the offerings of the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka.

If your concern has not been satisfactorily addressed, you may contact: feedback-colombo@goethe.de



#### CONTACT GOETHE-INSTITUT SRI LANKA

#### **LANGUAGE COURSE OFFICE**

39, R.G.Senanayake Mawatha, Colomo 7

info-colombo@goethe.de - For general Information examinations-colombo@goethe.de - For exam registrations 011 269 4562 / 011 471 2636 www.goethe.de/srilanka



Website



**Facebook** 



Instagram

#### **OPENING HOURS**

Monday to Friday:

08.30 am - 03.30 pm

Every first Saturday of a month:

08.30 am - 12.30 pm

#### **CLOSING DATES**

22.12.2025 - 01.01.2026 11.04.2026 - 17.04.2026 23.12.2026 - 02.01.2027

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Getting there by public transportation

From Bambalapitya - Bus 154 Stop - Bauddhaloka Mawatha / Wijerama Mawatha

From Kollupitiya - Bus 177 Stop - Horton place / Wijerama Mawatha

From Fort - Bus 120, 122, 125 and 138 Stop - St.Bridget / Cinnamon Garden



**GOETHE** INSTITUT