

General German

Course overview

Ages	16 and above
Duration	1 to 44 weeks
English level	From A1 (beginner) to C1 (advanced)
Academic info	15 20 lessons per week
Available in	EP Berlin
End of course certificate	✓

*Based on the grade student is applying to.

Course description

The General German programme develops your German language and communication skills, giving you the confidence and ability to function in everyday situations. Through a communicative approach, you will practise your listening, speaking, reading and writing skills, build your vocabulary, and be able to understand and use more complex grammatical structures.

You will have the opportunity to join social activities with your classmates, explore the city during your free time, and take part in the weekly social programme available to all EP students.

What is included

- 15, 20 hours class time per week
- Placement test
- Pre-arrival information packs
- In person induction
- Welcome bag with free goodies
- Monthly course tutorials and skills test
- Conversation club and Study Clinics
- Course materials
- Weekly unit tests
- Social programme
- EP neighbourhood discounts
- End of course certificate

How skills work at EP

Together with your course, you can also add a skill. This is extra content that helps you improve in the areas that matter most to you, whether that's everyday communication, academic English, or English for work.

- Every semi-intensive course is three hours of General English plus one hour of skills content each day. The skill depends on the student's level.
- Students at A1 to B1 study Communication Workshop: vocabulary, speaking, and the practical language needed for daily life.
- Students at B1+ to C1 choose between Academic Skills and Career Skills.
- Academic Skills covers English for academic purposes (EAP) and IELTS preparation. Career Skills covers employability, business English, and other topics for using English at work.

What you will learn

By the end of the course, you will:

- be able to speak German more confidently and fluently
- have developed your vocabulary knowledge
- have a better understanding of more complex German grammatical structures
- have fine-tuned your pronunciation
- have improved your reading, listening, writing skills.

Personal support you will receive

- 4 weekly tutorials with your teacher
- Personal progress reports on request
- Welfare support when and as needed
- Study clinics:
- FREE one-to-ones with an Academic Manager
- Weekly slots available to book.

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Entry process

1. Application form
2. Pre-arrival level test
3. Pay fees 4 weeks prior to starting your course
4. Begin your programme

Please note: At the end of your course, your Certificate will be issued if attendance has met all requirements (minimum 85%)

Course timings*

Classic Morning	15 hrs	09:00 - 12:15
Semi-Intensive Morning	20 hrs	09:00 - 13:30

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*Please, refer to EP Pricelist for course intensity or timings per campus.