

Learn German with certified quality in beautiful Dresden

Kästner Kolleg e.V. was founded in 1998 and is now one of the leading language schools in the beautiful and culturally historic city of Dresden.

Learning German

With us you can learn German the whole year round and, with about 60 participants from all over the world, you will learn in an international environment with a personal atmosphere.

In our intensive courses, which start every month at all levels, you will be able to move up one complete CEF level (e.g. from A1 to A2) in just 8 weeks. At the same time, we attach great importance to your verbal communication skills, so that you will soon be able to talk with the warm-hearted people of Saxony.

Mission

Kästner Kolleg would not only like to give you the highest quality of teaching, but also a home away from home. Through selected accommodation options with German hosts and flat-mates, by help of our cultural excursion program, and also by coordinating students with tandem partners, we will bring you into close contact with the city, its people and its culture.



Dresden

Dresden has a lot of culture to offer: the world famous city landmarks such as the baroque Zwinger with its famous art galleries, the Church of our Lady ("Frauenkirche"), Meissen and its porcelain, palaces and castles, national parks, mountain ranges and forests in the surrounding areas offer opportunities for many leisure activities. And Dresden loves its parties! It organizes festivals, balls, parties, concerts and other events all year round.



Location

Kästner Kolleg is located in the middle of the city with all its activities, but is positioned in a quiet area within the cosmopolitan Neustadt district. The district has very good tram and bus connections and offers innovative art galleries, unusual independent shops, cinemas, colourful facades, and hidden courtyards as well as cosy cafés and bars.

The school

In our newly enlarged and refurbished school, you will find 10 bright, well equipped classrooms. There is also a library, a media room, a gallery and a comfortable cafeteria - of course with Wi-Fi access. Just next to the school is the Alaunpark - the green lung of the quarter - a place for relaxing and many leisure activities. We are looking forward to meeting you!



Accreditation

Kästner Kolleg e.V. is accredited by:

- State Education Agency of Saxony
- TELC Examination Center A2-C1
- TestDaF Examination Center (for university)
- FaDaF (www.fadaf.de)

Quality



Our quality seal guarantees you to find high teaching quality and great service whenever you come to our school. Kästner Kolleg received the „Customer Satisfaction Award“ by language-course.net since 2008.

German Courses examples 2018

If you take part in a language course at *Kästner Kolleg*, you will speak German from the get-go. We teach German only in German according to the communicative method. The newest teaching material and its practical application in role-play games, learning projects, and excursions assist in the learning process.

Intensive Course "Standard 25"

Age Group	Age 16+
Course Content	General Language Skills
Length	1 to 40 weeks
Start Dates	every Monday
Start dates for beginners + regular modules	26.3.; 23.4.; 22.5.; 18.6.; 16.7.; 13.8.; 10.9.; 8.10.; 5.11.; 3.12.
Levels	A1 - C1
Time of Course	9.30 am - 2 pm, Monday - Friday
Lessons	25 x 45 Minutes per week + Self-study center
Number of Participants	Average of 7 students, 15 maximum
Free time Program	Min. 2 weekly activities + Weekend excursions by request
Accommodation	Guest family Shared apartment (WG) Private apartment Student Residence

Course Description

Basic Levels

In the three Basic levels (A1 - B1) of our Standard-Intensive Course, you'll learn to understand through listening and reading, pronunciation, grammar, writing, and basic vocabulary. The emphasis of the course is always to speak and make your self understood in everyday life.

Advanced Levels

Fundamental vocabulary and grammar as well as the other skills are systematically built upon. The focus of this course is on speaking freely and on the different uses of language in spoken and written German.

TIP

We continuously practice our German in real contexts, like dialogues and role plays. In this way you are able to manage everyday situations right from the start and you'll feel encouraged as you take your first steps learning German. What's more, you'll become familiar with German culture, its land and people.



Course Levels and Scope

Each level (A1, A2 etc.) is covered by a 8 week Standard Intensive Course (200 lessons). If you would like to participate in the entire course, please look at the starting dates for each module on our website. You can also join a class that has already started.

A Typical School Day

The "Intensive Course 25" starts each day at 09.30 am. There are two breaks, from 11.30 am to 12 pm and from 1 pm to 1.15 pm. During this time, you can relax in the neighboring park, help yourself to a beverage from the cafeteria, check your email, or chat with your friends.

Afterwards, you will have the possibility to use what you've learned in free time activities, check out a film from our media library, or surf the net. Everything is included in the price of the course. On some weekends, we go on excursions where you can visit Saxony, Berlin, or Prague.

After the Course

Once you've completed the three basic levels (A1, A2, B1 = 24 weeks) you are ready for the B1 German Certificate Test. You can file your test results with us. We are proud of our students' 95 percent pass rate. Of course, once you've finished level B1 you can immediately continue with level B2 and prepare yourself for the University entrance tests DSH or TestDaF.

Intensive Course Summer 25/30

* You can book this course either with 25 or 30 lessons per week.

Age Group	Age 16+
Course Content	General Language Skills + Conversation
Length	1 - 11 weeks
Dates	2.7. -14.9.2018 / every Monday / & on regular module starting dates
Levels	Summer 30 from level A2 Beginners: 16.7.; 13.8; 10.9.
Time of Course	09.30 am to 2pm or 15.30 Monday-Friday
Lessons	25 or 30 x 45 min. p.w. + access to independent study centre
Number of Participants	Average of 9, 15 maximum students
Free time Program	5 weekly activities + 1 weekend excursion every 2 nd week
Accommodation	Guest family Shared or Private apartment Student Residence

Course Description

If you are looking for maximum learning progress in the shortest time possible, and if you already possess some prior German knowledge, we recommend the Summer Course 30, with 6 lessons daily. Besides the **Morning Classes** there are 5 x 45 min. of **Conversation Classes** per week in the afternoon, where you will be compelled to actively participate at all times. You will research current themes and work together with students from around the globe to create presentations for **land and cultural projects** - always with the aid and support of your trainers.

A **multifaceted free time program** rounds out your summer course and you can readily try out your newly gained German skills. **Field trips and excursions** are organized and run by people who know Dresden well. You will have the opportunity to meet interesting people and visit places around Dresden. This way you can experience daily life in Germany.

A Typical School Day

The “Summer Course 30” starts each day at 9.30 am. There are breaks from 11.30 to 12 pm, from 1 pm to 1:15 pm, and 2 to 2:30 pm. During this time, you can relax in the neighboring park, help yourself to a beverage from the cafeteria, check your email, or chat with your friends. After the morning class, you can get some lunch at one of the many nearby pubs, cafés, beer gardens or bistros or have a picnic at the neighboring park.

Fully recharged, it is then time for a lively **conversation** course, filled with serious topics as well as games and entertainment. And if you'd like to relax a bit while still keeping your

German skills sharp, then take part in the **Free time Activities** like beach volleyball, bowling, swimming, cycling, steam boating on the Elbe, outdoor concerts or cinema. The free time possibilities are countless. During the weekends we go on **excursions** where you can discover Dresden's surroundings, like the enchanting Saxon Switzerland, Berlin or even Prague. Everything is included in the price.

TestDaF preparation training

Ages	Age 16+
Content	TestDaF exam preparation for university entrance
Dates	See start dates on : www.sprachmobil.com
Duration	4 weeks
Levels	C1
Time plan	02.30 pm -5.00 pm, Tuesday - Thursday
Lesson per week	9 x 45 min. + independent study lab
Participants	Average 5 students (max. 15)
Free time program	2 weekly activities
Accommodation	Guest family Shared apartment (WG) Private apartment

Course Description

Our 4-week part-time training course for the TestDaF preparation is ideal for you, if you have already reached a C1 level of German and would like to prepare effectively for the high demands of TestDaF German language test for university entrance. In this course, the focus is on training skills and problem solving strategies that will be demanded of you in the tests. For example, we will practice different tasks like reading comprehension and text summary, scientific writing based on provided items or simulating an oral testing situation where you must speak with coherence about a topic from politics, technology or humanities ... into a microphone.



Exam Simulation

The core of the training course is the exam simulation. You will take test parts in the actual time restrictions. By means of realistic testing, you will get a feel for the demands and for the availability of the time permitted. After analyzing your results, you will receive help and valuable tips so that you will be optimally prepared on the day of the test.

Typical School Day

The class begins each day at 2.30 pm and ends at 5 pm. There is a break during which you can relax in the neighbouring park, fetch a drink from the cafeteria, check emails or meet with friends. You can also use the independent study lab to enhance what you have learned, or to help with projects. We're always there to help out.

is covered, but also language skills that you will need and can use every day at your workplace. The lesson plans emphasize communication and are practically oriented. The smaller class groups allow students more opportunities to speak and to develop skills more quickly.



Evening part time courses

Ages	Age 16+
Content	General Language / Career oriented German
Length	12 weeks per module
Dates	year round
Beginners	See start dates on our website: www.sprachmobil.com/german/current-courses.php
Levels	Beginner A1 to Advanced C1
Timeplan	Between 6.00 and 8.30 pm
Lessons	2 evenings with 3 lessons à 45 min. per week
Participants	Average 4 students, 9 maximum

Course Description

If you are working or studying in Dresden and you would like to learn German on the side, or if you wish to improve your German for on the job, we recommend our German Evening Course "After Work".

You can visit this profession-g geared German course twice weekly for 135 minutes of classes. In this course, all the general German skills and knowledge

Special Language

If you need to develop specialized language for a particular field, like economics, business, or scientific German, we highly recommend additional →private lessons.

Special programs

We also offer: One-to-One German Courses, Business German, Teacher Training, Studienkolleg exam Preparation (C-Test), Writing Workshops, German Online Courses, German & Internships, German & Dance, German & Tennis or Horse-riding. *Enquire for further information!*

Course Fees for German courses

Prices in €	1 Week	2 Weeks	3 Weeks	4 Weeks	+1 Week
Intensive course "Standard 25"	250	450	610	720	165
Intensive course "Summer 25/30"	315/ 360	600/ 690	850/ 980	1030/ 1190	250/ 290
"TestDaF preparation"	-	-	-	345	-
Intensive course "Longterm 25"	eg. A1 = 8 Weeks = 1200 €				
Evening course	1 module = 12 Weeks = 650 €				
Registration fee: 30 €					
10 % discount for ISIC-Card holders.					



Accommodation

We have several options for your accommodation - whether with a guest family with half or full-board, in a shared student flat together with German students, or in a private apartment. Tell us your preference and we will find *your home away from home*.

Host family

By living in one of our "hand-picked and tested" Host Families you will enjoy typical German hospitality from the moment you arrive.

You will have many opportunities to practice your German and get to know German culture and lifestyle first hand. You live max. 30 min away from school and can use the communal kitchen & bathroom, laundry, TV, garden, etc. At your convenience you can order *breakfast* or *half-board*.



Co-shared Apartment (WG)

A room in a shared apartment ("Wohngemeinschaft"- WG) with communal use of the kitchen and bathroom is very popular amongst Germans and our students. Here you learn first hand about young people and student life. Together with two or three other (mostly German) students (on request only women or men) you live in a typical student environment: „small but mine“.

Note: This accommodation type is **only for people from 18 years**. 16 years → Student Residence



Private apartment/Studio

If you prefer your privacy, we can organize for you a cosy or bigger private apartment as single, double or triple. There you are fully independent and have your private bathroom, kitchen, cleaning service, full equipment.

Student apartment "Residence"

Also you can rent a shared student room or private apartment in one of our „Residence” student houses within or close to our school.

TIPP: This is also an alternative to a guest family for those especially under 18 years as we take care for the place and people, including cleaning.

Youth Hostel, Hotel, B&B also available on request.

Accommodation Fees

→ Prices per week.	
Co-shared Student apartment Self catering	110 €
Host family single room, incl. breakfast	165 €
Student apartment "Residence" Self catering	135 €
Private Apartment "Residence" one room*, private bath and kitchen, self catering, TV	175 €
* Double rooms, half/full board, B&B, hotel on request	
Accommodation arrangement fee	75 €

Transfer Service

Our service begins the moment you arrive in Dresden. We will pick you up from the train station or airport and take you to your accommodation.



Culture Program in Dresden

Boring afternoons and quiet evenings?

...if you like it, but if not, there is always a lot to do in Dresden!

As a participant in a German course with *Kästner Kolleg*, you become part of an international family. After an intensive morning of learning German you can **relax and enjoy** leisure-time together with other students.

For example we take you on excursions to the Old Masters Art Gallery, the Pillnitz castle, or to the national park "Saxon Switzerland". We organize bike tours, game and film nights, international dinner parties and BBQs, meetings with Germans, or visits to local sights. And of course, we join in Dresden`s club scene, discos, and big festivals like the open air film night at the Elbe River or the International Dixieland Festival.

Whatever you like ... climbing . trekking . biking . Running . Sightseeing . Ballooning . canoeing & rafting . Horseback riding . BBQ at the park . Open air cinema at the river-bank . Semper Opera . Disco . Christmas Market international lunch . cafés & galleries . swimming . volleyball . museums & art . Tennis . Trips to Berlin, Leipzig, Weimar, Prague ...

Note: our diverse leisure-time programme is included if you book a summer course.

Stammtisch - typical German ?!

Weekly, we organise our regulars' get-together at the most beautiful places and in the cosiest pubs of Dresden. There you can have a relaxed conversation with native Germans and other foreign guests after a drink.



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