

GERMAN LANGUAGE COURSES / STUDIENKOLLEG [PREPARATORY COURSES]

In application proceedings, there are no differences between Germans, EU-Citizens or other international applicants, provided international applicants need to submit a proof of German language proficiency with the online-application form: minimum of the qualification level A2/B1 for the undergraduate programs and B1/B2 for Master programs.

The language of weissensee academy of art is German in all our courses.

For Transfer students: At the time of application international applicants have to upload a language certificate qualification level or a conformation of the current language course min B2 for the Design study programs and B1 for the Fine Art departments.

As the aptitude/admission test will be also carried out in German it is absolutely necessary to be provided with a sufficient knowledge of German language. Needless to say that most professors speak English very well, so in case of need, you may be able to explain your ideas, aims and motivation also in English.

After a positive decision, you must be presented a language certificate for the admission:

for example TestDaF 4, telc Deutsch C1 Hochschule, DSH 2, the language proof of the Goethe Institution or of the UDK (qualification level C1) for **BA- and MA-Design programs;**

and Testdaf 3, DSH 1, telc B2, the certificates of the UDK or Goethe Institution (qualification level B2) for the **Fine Arts study programs.**

In exceptional cases, a proof of the exam registration or a certificate of the language - course is also sufficient for the time being. Please note: The relevant language certificate must be submitted **before your studies begin.**

The language certificate has to be equivalent to the C1/C2 qualification level or B2 in the Fine Art programs and Space Strategy **and can be submitted in the form of**

- A German language examination for university admission (DSH certificate) with an overall grade of 2 or 3
- The German as a Foreign Language test (TestDaF) in grades 4 and 5 and TestDaF level 3 for the fine art programs and space strategy
- Advanced and/or proficiency German language diploma (Kleines/Großes Sprachdiplom) of the Goethe-Institut: Goethe language certificate C1 or B2 for the fine art programs and space strategy
- Central secondary level examination (Zentrale Oberstufenprüfung) of the Goethe-Institut
- proof of the UDK: qualification level C1 or B2 for the fine art programs and space strategy
- UNi-cert III
- DSD II
- Zentrale Mittelstufenprüfung (ZMP)

Study applicants do not have to provide proof, if they

- have passed successfully 10 years at a German school or has the Abitur in Germany
- have already obtained at a German school the entitlement to study at a university or college
- have passed the assessment test at a German preparatory course for foreign students
- or are transferring to weißensee as part of a university transfer from another German university or college.
- are a german native speaker

As the weissensee academy of art berlin doesn't offer preparatory courses for foreign students or German language courses for applicants or students, applicants should give themselves sufficient time for the necessary preparations.

You can find information on German language courses in Germany and abroad at the following institutions:

- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD): www.daad.de
- Goethe-Institut: www.goethe.de
- TestDaf-Institut: www.testdaf.de
- Carl-Duisberg Centres: www.cdc.de

In Berlin you can contact the following institutions for the DSH-exam:

- <https://www.sprachenzentrum.fu-berlin.de/>
- <https://www.sprachenzentrum.hu-berlin.de/de>

Universität der Künste (UDK):

<https://www.udk-berlin.de/en/service/german-courses/>

Telc-Examination-Centres in Berlin:

[https://www.telc.net/pruefungsteilnehmende/pruefungszentrum-finden.html?tx_telcexamcentres_map\[filter\]\[country\]=Germany](https://www.telc.net/pruefungsteilnehmende/pruefungszentrum-finden.html?tx_telcexamcentres_map[filter][country]=Germany)

Telc - centers in Berlin on which the B2 and C1-University tests are offered:

[https://www.telc.net/pruefungsteilnehmende/pruefungszentrum-finden.html?tx_telcexamcentres_map\[filter\]\[country\]=Germany](https://www.telc.net/pruefungsteilnehmende/pruefungszentrum-finden.html?tx_telcexamcentres_map[filter][country]=Germany)

TestDaF-Centres in Berlin:

TestDaF (Liste mit allen Orten, an denen ein Sprachtest abgelegt werden kann):

http://www.testdaf.de/fuer-teilnehmende/die-pruefung/testzentren/testzentren-in-deutschland-von-a-bis-c/#anker_b

- Alpadia Berlin GmbH <http://www.prolog-berlin.de>
- berlinerID <http://www.berlinerID.de>
Institut für Internationale Kommunikation e.V.
- BSI <http://www.bsiberlin.de>
private Sprachenschule GmbH Berlin
- Carl Duisberg Centrum Berlin <http://www.carl-duisberg-deutschkurse.de/index.php?id=967>
- did-deutsch institut Berlin: <http://www.berlin.did.de>
- Die deutSCHule <http://www.die-deutschule.de/>
- EIIE EURASIA <http://www.eurasia-institute.com/>
Institute for International Education GmbH
- Eurocentres Berlin <http://www.eurocentres-berlin.de/>
- F+U Academy of Languages <http://www.fuu-berlin-languages.com/>
- GfbM <http://gfbm.de/angebote/bildungsarten/dkik/testdaf/>
Gesellschaft für berufsbildende Maßnahmen e.V.
- GLS Campus Berlin <http://www.gls-berlin.de/>
- Goethe-Institut Berlin: <http://www.goethe.de>
- Hartnackschule Berlin <http://hartnackschule-berlin.de/>
- Humboldt-Institut Berlin-Mitte <http://www.humboldt-institut.org/berlin-mitte>

- IFS <http://www.ifs-deutsch.de>
Institut für Sprachvermittlung und internationalen Kulturaustausch
- IIK <http://www.iik.de>
Institut für Interkulturelle Kommunikation e.V. Berlin
- Eurocentres Berlin <http://http://www.eurocentres-berlin.de>
- inlingua www.inlingua-berlin.de
Sprachcenter Berlin GmbH
- LTS <http://www.language-testing-service.de/>
Language and Testing Service GmbH Berlin
- Technische Universität Berlin <http://www.zems.tu-berlin.de>
- WIPA GmbH <http://www.wipa-berlin.de/>

Further language courses in Berlin at public and private institutions without recognized exams:

- Volkshochschulen Berlins (adult education centers): www.vhs.de
- Berlitz-Center (private language school): www.berlitz.de
- Hartnack-Schule (private language school): www.hartnackschule-berlin.de

Further language courses in Berlin at universities:

- Humboldt University Berlin: www.sprachenzentrum.hu-berlin.de
- Potsdam University: www.uni-potsdam.de/u/studienkolleg.htm
- FU-Berlin <https://www.sprachenzentrum.fu-berlin.de/>

In addition the following online or correspondence language courses are offered:

- <http://www.uni-deutsch.de>
- <http://www.goethe.de/dll/fnu/deindex.htm>

There are many other courses on offer which you can best find out about by doing personal research in Berlin, as the courses are very different with regards to time, location and costs.

Please, note the course offers which are advertised on the information boards in universities, public transport or the daily newspapers.

If you have to visit preparatory courses in order to obtain the admission to a university (i.e. your school leaving certificate is not recognised as a certificate entitling a student to study at a university level):

- Free University Berlin: www.fu-berlin.de/fu-international/de/studkoll/studkoll.htm

At weißensee an admission is possible without qualification for admission for higher education after having proved **special artistic aptitude** in the entrance test.