

Registration

If you would like to register for a course, please complete the registration form and send it to:

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Upon receipt of your registration form we will send you confirmation immediately and details of the deposit to be paid.

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Learn German in the lively urban centre of the Black Forest

Freiburg



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Freiburg is known as one of the most attractive towns in Germany. Situated in the sunniest part of the country in the South-West between the Black Forest and the Kaiserstuhl, Freiburg's scenic attractions include mountains and lakes, vineyards and orchards. This position within the triangle of nations, France to the West and Switzerland in the South contributes much to Freiburg's particular charm. As Freiburg has a university, there is a wide variety of cultural events on offer. In addition to the well-established municipal theatre, numerous fringe theatre troupes perform classical and modern works.

The picturesque streets of Freiburg's medieval town centre are inviting to stroll through, while the market on the Münsterplatz is a daily meeting point. Freiburg provides a rich environment within which the German language and culture can be explored.

The School

The elegant medieval building, home to the Sprachschule zum Ehrstein, is located in the heart of Freiburg just minutes to walk from the station, university and market square. We owe the excellent reputation of our school to the dedication and personal commitment of our highly qualified teaching staff. The relaxed atmosphere is conducive to individual consultation and personal supervision of our students. Outside the classroom, our language students are provided with countless opportunities to experience everyday life in Germany. The School is not merely a centre for language learning but also for cultural exchange. Our secretary's office is open throughout the year and offers advice and assistance at all times. Individual consultation is a matter of course. The School is open all year round.



General Information

Freiburg has a very efficient public transport network. All parts of Freiburg are easily accessible by bus and tram. You can visit picturesque little towns and villages in the surrounding area by bus and train.

The town also has an excellent network of cycle paths. Bicycle is the most popular means of transport here. All categories of bike can be hired in specialist shops.

We are normally in a position to accept bookings at short notice. If possible, however, your language-learning holiday should be booked well in advance. This ensures that all your particular needs are met.

Please make sure that you are covered by a valid health insurance policy. We can arrange for health insurance or a combination of health, accident and third-party insurance. We also recommend a holiday reinsurance policy.

Students from non-EU member countries should request information about current conditions of entry from the embassy. We will arrange for the course to coincide with the issue of a visa.

Travel

Freiburg is easily accessible by rail (main line Hamburg-Milan), car (via the main North-South A5 motorway Frankfurt-Basle) or air (via Basle-Mulhouse Airport + shuttle bus to Freiburg or Frankfurt Airport + train). We would be pleased to offer assistance with your travel arrangements. Please contact our secretary's office.



Our Service Package

A member of our teaching staff will be available at weekly intervals to help with any difficulties which might have arisen during tuition.

In case you wish to obtain a recognized certificate (Kleines or Grosses Sprachdiplom, DSH, Zentrale Mittelstufenprüfung etc.) we are pleased to assist both with the preparation of exam material and the registration formalities.

On request we can arrange talks on the country, its people and traditions.

Film programme: every fortnight a video film is shown, chosen in accordance with students' requests.

Every Monday evening students and tutors from our school meet for a night out in a typical Freiburg pub.

Our student identity card permits you to eat in the university refectory and use the university library. You can also purchase tickets for concerts, theatre, cinema and swimming pool at reduced rates.

There is also a discount on the special bargain ticket or regiokarte which is issued for travel within the entire network of public transport in Freiburg and the surrounding area (30 km).

Transfer to your accommodation can be booked if you wish.

We will gladly offer assistance with your visa application.

At the completion of your course you will receive a participant's diploma.

Courses

You can learn German or improve your language skills in a wide variety of courses:

intensive courses

20 lessons per week

This kind of course combines intensive language learning with the advantages of actually staying in the country. You become acquainted with the country and its people and are able to practise the language skills acquired in everyday situations.

super-intensive courses

20 lessons per week (tuition in groups) + 5 lessons of individual tuition.

This combination provides you with the opportunity to solve any individual learning problems during the one-to-one instruction. In addition particular attention can be paid to your individual needs and preferences (specialised vocabulary, literature, exam preparation).

standard evening course

4 lessons per week. This course is especially suited to learners who work or study during the day and wish to improve their language skills in the evening.

DSH preparatory courses

These courses are designed for students from abroad coming to study at a German university. Special exercises are used to acquire the language skills required for the examination and provide learners with the best possible preparation.

individual tuition

This tuition is tailored to your individual requirements. You determine the duration, subject matter and speed of learning. Concentrated and intensive learning achieves excellent results in a very short space of time.

crash courses

Courses with a private tutor provide highly intensive language training. Take advantage of a long weekend or a business trip to improve your acquaintance of the language, the country and its people.

company courses

On request our school can provide courses for companies in all languages. Courses can be shaped to suit your requirements.

Tuition takes place in small groups of no more than 12 students. However the average class size is 7-8 students learning on 5 levels. We aim for groups of equal ability. Course content includes grammar, the extension of vocabulary, written expression, idioms and spoken communication. Texts about aspects of culture, the country and its people are used in lessons and current affairs discussed. Grammar is present in all of our teaching and regarded as a means of language learning.



Special offer for groups

We can tailor a special programme arranged to suit your particular requirements.

Theme-based courses are available ranging from literature, German culture, history, art and politics to sports.

Among other courses we are offering:

German courses in combination with the opportunity to become acquainted with the traditional cuisine of Baden, a wine seminar, sport (skiing, golf, sailing, cycling, riding), painting, guided tours to objects of cultural interest.

For further information regarding our courses and estimated prices, please do not hesitate to contact our secretary's office.

Teaching Staff

Our academically qualified teachers have many years of experience in teaching and are all native speakers of German with extensive knowledge of the country, its traditions and culture. Enthusiasm, understanding and a genuine pleasure in language teaching are all characteristics of our teaching staff.

Teaching Methods

Many years of teaching experience enable us to teach using established concepts of learning as well as the latest didactic methods. The expertise of our tutors guarantees excellent results. Instruction takes place according to the interactive method and only in German. We teach German systematically and efficiently using reliable text books as well as authentic text material and there is always something of present day interest. Lessons include a balance of communication skills, vocabulary building and the instruction of grammar.

Accommodation

Accommodation to suit your needs can be found in a private room, hotel or placement with a German host family.

All types of accommodation have been carefully chosen by us. Both single and double rooms are available.

Recreation and Cultural Events

We offer a wide variety of leisure activities, sports and cultural programmes. Recreational activities are chosen at the beginning of the course in accordance with your personal interests. Particular attention is paid to cultural events which are typical for the region.

Or, if you prefer to explore on your own, we are available at any time with suggestions about how to spend leisure time and for exciting weekend excursions. Whether you are interested in culture or art, seek physical exercise or are a nature lover, Freiburg and the surrounding area has something for everyone.