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German Language courses at EBS (Fall Term 2012)

EBS offers various credited German language courses for international Students. In fall term 2012 we offer:

- an six-days intensive course before the start of the semester (various levels) called "Study Skills in German"
- courses during the semester on various levels.

All courses are <u>free of charge</u> for the exchange students and we strongly recommend participation. However, it is not compulsory.

For complete beginners, we recommend the intensive course for complete beginners and to continue learning German during the semester in "Business German I" which is a direct follow-up to the intensive course on complete beginners level.

1. German Intensive Course August 2012: "Study Skills in German"

Time Table (to be confirmed)

Wed. 22 Aug 2012 3:00 pm Welcome to German Intensive Course Campus Tour

Thur. 23 Aug 2012 Fri. 24 Aug 2012 Mon. 27 Aug 2012 Tue. 28 Aug 2012

German Course (8:15 am -1:00 pm)

Wed. 29 Aug 2012 Thur. 30 Aug 2012

Exam: Listening Comprehension / Presentations during the intensive course; Written final exam will we held the week following the intensive course! Thus, participants should not make any travel arrangements for that week!

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The German intensive course is conducted on the following levels:

Required level	Topics
Students without any German knowledge	Basic grammar structures, pronunciation, numbers, how to introduce yourself, simple dialogues in common situations.
with basic knowledge; 60 -100 hours/ level A1-A2	Consolidate basic structures in grammar and vocabulary; dealing with common situations, improve listening and reading skills.
at intermediate level: 150 – 200 hours / level A2-B1	Revise structures, dealing with typical situations, improve listening and reading skills; business vocabulary; take basic information from news and newspaper articles.
at good/very good level: more than 250 hours/ level B1-B2	Analyse current issues in the news and newspaper articles: improve listening and reading skills; business vocabulary, advanced grammar.

The German intensive course is worth <u>3 ECTS.</u>

Registration for the intensive course is done during the online application for exchange. Please note that registration is binding!

During the registration students will be asked to give a self-assessment of their German skills within the CEFR framework. Please refer to an information document on this framework in the download section of the application platform.

Should you find out that the selected level is too high or too low for you, you can still change the course level after the course has started. The teachers will provide guidance and advice on the appropriate level.

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2. Semester courses Fall Term 2012:

EBS Language Institute offers further German language courses during fall term. The intensive course is NOT a prerequisite to attend these semester courses.

Courses for different levels

	Required level	Credit	Hours	Topics
Business German 0	for complete beginners	3	32	Basic grammar structures, pronunciation, numbers, how to introduce yourself, simple dialogues in common situations.
Business German I	with basic knowledge; 60-70 hours; level A1 or with the intensive course EBS at lowest level	3	32	Consolidate basic structures in grammar and vocabulary, dealing with common situations. Improve listening and reading skills.
Business German II	at lower intermediate level; 150-200 hours / level A2	3	32	Revise structures, dealing with typical situations, improve listening and reading skills, grammar structures and vocabulary
Business German III	at upper intermediate level 200- 250 hours / level B1	3	32	Analyse current issues in the news and short newspaper articles; role plays; advanced grammar
Business German IV	at good level/ very good level; more than 250 hours/ level B2-C1	3	32	Analysing current issues in the news and newspaper articles: business vocabulary. Intercultural issues, current state of affairs in business and politics; presentation skills.

Please note that at least 8 participants are required for a course to take place.

Registration for the semester courses is done together with the online course registration for all other courses in July (dates to be confirmed).