GERMAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (WINTER SEMESTER 2023/24)

Offers for international researchers, post-docs, scholarship holders, and doctoral students at the University of Hamburg (UHH and UKE)

(9 August, 2023)

Coordination:
Please contact Ms. Susanne Guckelsberger at the Language Center if you have questions or need help regarding the German offers for international researchers, post-docs, scholarship holders and doctoral students.

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Registration:
Registration for mini-workshops: until 21 September, 2023
Registration for weekly courses: until 4 October, 2023

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Please note:

- The offers are open to international academics, post-docs, scholarship holders and doctoral students at the University of Hamburg (UHH and UKE). Unfortunately, external interested parties cannot participate.
- The mini-workshops and courses for German as a foreign language are free of charge. Individual language training / language coaching for German as a foreign language is subject to a fee (cf. 4.). If you are interested, we will be happy to advise you and then make you an offer on request.

1. Mini workshops: German in everyday academic life

The workshop series is aimed at international researchers, post-docs, scholarship holders and doctoral students at the University of Hamburg (UHH and UKE) who would like to use the German language in their everyday academic life. The current workshops and dates are listed below.

Are you interested, but don't have time on these dates? Please let us know - if there are enough people interested, we can offer additional dates.
Mini workshop 1: Introducing yourself and your field of research in German (from B1)

In this workshop you will learn how to introduce yourself and your field of research in German - e.g. at conferences, in doctoral colloquia, to new colleagues. We will also talk about topics of conversation in semi-formal contexts (e.g. “small talk” at conferences).

Location: Von-Melle-Park 5; room to be announced
Date: Friday, 17 November 2023, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
Lecturer: Dr. Susanne Guckelsberger

Mini workshop 2: All about numbers in German (from A2)

This workshop focuses on numbers. For example, how do you pronounce the time or dates correctly in German? How do you indicate the length or weight of objects? What is the connection between cardinal numbers (e.g. „zwei“) and ordinal numbers (e.g. „der zweite Platz“, „zweitens“, „Elisabeth II.“)? If you are interested, we can also discuss other aspects – such as large numbers or typical arithmetic symbols.

Location: Von-Melle-Park 5; room to be announced
Date: Friday, 19 January 2024, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
Lecturer: Dr. Susanne Guckelsberger

Mini workshop 3: Useful wording for presentations (from B1)

You would like to give your presentation (partly) in German and need suitable formulations? In the first part of the workshop we will work out and practise useful formulations for welcoming the audience, introducing the lecture and transitioning between different phases of the lecture. If you are interested, we will also discuss common formulations for moderating presentations by other academics. In the second part of the workshop (from approx. 10:45 a.m.) you will have the opportunity to work individually on your own presentation manuscripts and to receive linguistic feedback.

Location: Von-Melle-Park 5; room to be announced
Date: Friday, 9 February 2024, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Lecturer: Dr. Susanne Guckelsberger

2. Weekly German courses for international academics and doctoral candidates at UHH / UKE

05-913 Weekly course “University-specific German for international researchers, post-docs, scholarship holders, and doctoral candidates”, Level A2/B1

This course (level A2/B1) is aimed at international academics and doctoral students (UHH and UKE) who have a basic knowledge of German but still use little German in everyday university life. The course takes place weekly during the winter semester (starting 23 Oct. 2023) at the Von-Melle-Park campus.

Contents (selection):
- forms of address and communication conventions; politeness
- small talk
- strategies for listening and reading comprehension
- phonetics

Other topics requested by the participants are welcome.
Location: Von-Melle-Park 5; room to be announced
Date: Mondays 4:15 – 5:45 p.m. (from 23 October 2023 to 29 January 2024)
Lecturer: Dr. Anikó Brandt

**05-914 Weekly course “University-specific German for international researchers, post-docs, scholarship holders, and doctoral candidates”, Level B1/B2**

This course (level B1/B2) is aimed at international academics and doctoral students (UHH and UKE) who would like to improve their German language skills for everyday university life and deepen them with practical exercises. The course takes place weekly during the winter semester (starting 26 Oct. 2023) at the Von-Melle-Park campus.

Contents (selection):
- strategies for listening comprehension (e.g. podcasts, films, lectures).
- presenting and moderating in an academic context
- participating in meetings and conferences
- review of relevant grammar topics
- phonetics

Other topics requested by participants are welcome.

Location: Von-Melle-Park 5; room to be announced
Date: Thursdays 4:15 – 5:45 p.m. (from 26 October 2023 to 1 February 2024)
Lecturer: Dr. Susanne Guckelsberger

3. Regular courses for German as a foreign language (Deutsch als Fremdsprache / „DaF“)

As a member of the University of Hamburg (UHH and UKE), you are welcome to participate in the regular DaF courses of the Language Center (levels B1 to C2) if there are sufficient places available. Please contact Ms. Susanne Guckelsberger if you are interested (susanne.guckelsberger@uni-hamburg.de).

You can find our current course program on the Language Center's homepage: [https://www.uni-hamburg.de/en/sprachenzentrum/daf/kurse.html](https://www.uni-hamburg.de/en/sprachenzentrum/daf/kurse.html)
You can also find further information on the Stine website [https://www.stine.uni-hamburg.de/](https://www.stine.uni-hamburg.de/) (no login required). Please go to „Course catalogue“ => „Extracurricular courses WiSe23/24“ => „Language Center (SZ)“ => „Deutsch als Fremdsprache“

Please note: German courses at levels A1 and A2 are offered by the Department of General Languages („Allgemeinsprachen“) at the University of Hamburg. Please contact the General Languages team directly if you are interested.

4. Individual language training (subject to a fee)

The Language Center offers international researchers, scholarship holders and doctoral students of the University of Hamburg (UHH and UKE) individual language training / coaching for German as a foreign language. This offer is subject to a fee. If you are interested, we will be happy to advise you and then make you an offer on request.