

EASY LANGUAGES

German in Berlin - DID

Programme Summary:

- Ages 17+
- Sessions starting from 1 week
- Young and vibrant atmosphere
- School located in the city centre
- Accommodation with host family, in a shared flat or a residence
- All levels accepted throughout the whole year

Destination

Language programme in Berlin

Berlin, also known as the European New York City, is an **inevitable capital**. Divided into two Germanys during the cold war, the city has unique history of the late 20th century.

Berlin has a rich history but also has a **youth and cosmopolitan** character. The 'city that never sleeps' has always something to offer: from expositions about East Berlin to streetart to Opera « Unter den Linden », you don't have to be bored.

Akin to a construction site since the fall of the Berlin wall, the **ultra-modern architecture** of Berlin's 'Mitte' and Potsdamer Platz area are in stark contrast with the charming, alternative areas such as Kreuzberg or Prenzlauer Berg. With their young and hip atmosphere, they continually attract young travellers from all over the world.

The German school DID

Our partner school **DID** is situated in the center of Berlin, in a small and quiet

street only **15 minutes by foot from the Brandenburg Gate**, a few minutes from Alexanderplatz and close to the metro station Oranienburger Tor. Founded in 1991, the school offers high quality classes in a bright and spacious environment. There is space for 300 students.

School facilities include:

- 15 bright and spacious classrooms
- A multimedia center with 6 computers
- A cybercafé with 10 computers (user fees)
- A cafeteria with a vending machine for drinks and snacks
- A roof terrace
- A studyspace for group projects with a large selection of books and CD's
- WiFi

The school is **accredited** by EAQUALS (European Association for Quality Language Services) and is a TestDaf official examination centre.

Activities and events during your stay

Our partner school organizes 2 activities per week and excursions during the weekends. which you can participate or not. These activities are optional and some may require a fee. All activities are subject to change and vary depending on the time of year. You can book directly on site: entry fees and transportation are not included.

Some of the many activities may include:

- Guided visit of the city (the Brandenburg gate, Alexanderplatz and the Fernsehturm, parts of the Berlin wall, cultural center Tacheles, Friedrichstadtpalast cabaret, the Hackescher Markt, Unter den Linden, the Reichstag, Potsdam, the 'German Versailles', etc.)
- Excursions to Hamburg, Dresden, Spreewalde, etc.
- Visits to the Jewish Museum & the Pergamon museum, etc.

Courses

German language courses: the basics

- Lesson duration: 45 minutes
- Number of students per class: average of 10-12 students, maximum 15
- Schedule: courses will mostly be given in the morning but can also be scheduled in the afternoon in peak season
- Placement test: first day of lessons
- Certificate of completion at the end of your stay
- Regular progress tests
- All teachers are qualified and experienced in teaching German as a foreign language

Courses on offer

- **Standard course: 20 lessons per week**

Minimum length: 1 week

You will have classes in the morning **from Monday to Friday from 9:00 to 10:30 and from 10:45 to 12:15**, where you will develop the 4 basic skills: writing, speaking, listening and reading.

Language level: beginner to advanced

- **Semi-intensive course: 24 lessons per week**

Minimum length: 1 week

You will have classes in the morning **from Monday to Friday from 9:00 to 10:30 and from 10:45 to 12:15**

and on **Tuesday and Thursday from 13:00 to 14:30**. The course will address different themes: politics, culture and economics. You will learn how to communicate effectively and put your skills into practice.

Language level: beginner to advanced

- **Intensive course: 28 lessons per week**

You will have classes in the morning **from Monday to Friday from 9:00 to 10:30 and from 10:45 to 12:15** and on **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 13:00 to 14:30**. This course is ideal for quick improvements of your German knowledge, especially if you only have little time.

Language level: beginner to advanced

- **TestDaF Exam Preparation Course: 20 lessons a week**

Course duration: 4 weeks

As an **authorized centre** for TestDaF exams, DID organize courses of 20 lessons a week to prepare students for the exams. You can find the **starting dates** of the course in the 'Dates & Prices' tab.

Language level: advanced (B2+ or C1)

- **Private lessons**

This course will be given in **blocks of 2 lessons** in addition to the group courses (standard, semi-intensive or intensive). This individual course offers students the opportunity to follow a program completely adapted to their needs.

Accommodation

Homestay

Shared room, shared bathroom, half board

Travel time to school: the families live max. 45 minutes from the school by public transport.

Laundry: Some families ask for a fee of some euros for using the washing machine.

Optional extras (fees apply):

- Individual room

Shared Apartment (ages 18+)

Single room, shared bathroom, self-catering

This option gives you the change to live more independently and have direct contact with the German culture. You will share the apartment with students or inhabitants of the city.

Features:

- Single room
- Shared bathroom and toilets
- Shared kitchen
- No meals included
- Travel time: maximum 45 minutes from the school by public transport
- Bed linen provided (unless indicated otherwise)

Residence (Youth Hostel, ages 18+)

We offer 2 types of youth hotels:

- **Standard** (Hotel A&O)

Single room, private bathroom, breakfast included

Our partner school provides accommodation at Hotel A&O, located in several Berlin buildings.

Features:

- Single room
- Private bathroom and toilet
- Breakfast included (buffet)
- Travel time: 10 to 30 minutes by public transport, depending on the building you are in
- Location: close to the train station **Hauptbahnhof** or **Ostbahnhof**, +/- 10 minutes from the city center by public transport

Facilities and services available:

- TV and closet in every room
- Shared kitchen
- Laundry (for a fee)
- Bed linen and towels provided
- WiFi (user fees)
- Reception available 24/7
- Computers available in the lobby of the hotel

Possibility to stay in a shared room when participants travel together (price per person)

- **Superior** (Hotel Meininger)

Single room, private bathroom, breakfast included

Our partner school provides accommodation at Meininger hotel, located in several Berlin buildings.

Features:

- Single room
- Private bathroom and toilet
- Breakfast included (buffet)
- Travel time: 10 minutes by public transport or 8 minutes on foot, depending on the building you are in

- Location: close to the train station **Hauptbahnhof** or **Oranienburger Strasse**, +/- 5 minutes from the city center by public transport

Facilities and services available:

- TV, telephone, air conditioning and hairdryer in every room
- WiFi in every room and in the hote
- Shared kitchen
- Laundry (for a fee)
- Bed linen and towels provided
- Reception available 24/7
- Computers available in the lobby of the hotel (user fees)

Possibility to stay in a shared room when participants travel together (price per person)

Dates & Prices 2019

Dates 2019

Course start dates: Most courses start **every Monday** year-round (exceptions are outlined below.) On Bank Holiday Mondays, lessons start on Tuesdays.

Complete beginners must start on the following dates: 07/01, 04/02, 04/03, 01/04, 06/05, 03/06, 01/07, 15/07, 05/08, 02/09, 07/10, 04/11

Bank holidays and holidays (No lessons will take place on these dates and they will not be rescheduled or refunded): 21/12/18, 06/01/19, 19/04, 22/04, 01/05, 30/05, 10/06, 03/10

TestDaf Exam Preparation session (sessions of 4 weeks):

- 22/01 (exam 20/02)
- 26/03 (exam 26/04)
- 23/04 (exam 23/05)
- 18/06 (exam 19/07)
- 20/08 (exam 20/09)

- 15/10 (exam 13/11)

Prices 2019

Booking prices - AUD - Australian Dollar
 BRL - Brazilian Real
 CAD - Canadian Dollar
 CHF - Swiss Franc
 EUR - Euro
 GBP - British Pound
 JPY - Japanese Yen
 KRW - Korean Won
 NZD - New Zealand Dollar
 PLN - Polish Zloty
 USD - US Dollar

Includes all taxes and enrolment fees

Apply

Course & accommodation in shared apartment, single room, self-catering			
Duration	20 lessons	24 lessons	28 lessons
1 week	410 €	460 €	510 €
2 weeks	695 €	775 €	895 €
3 weeks	1,025 €	1,135 €	1,325 €
4 weeks	1,360 €	1,500 €	1,760 €
6 weeks	2,030 €	2,230 €	2,630 €
8 weeks	2,700 €	2,960 €	3,500 €
12 weeks	3,680 €	4,140 €	4,920 €
16 weeks	4,660 €	5,320 €	6,340 €
18 weeks	5,060 €	5,820 €	6,960 €
20 weeks	5,640 €	6,500 €	7,760 €
24 weeks	6,620 €	7,680 €	9,180 €
32 weeks	8,580 €	10,040 €	12,020 €
36 weeks	9,560 €	11,220 €	13,440 €
Extra week	245 €	295 €	355 €

TestDaF Exam preparation & accommodation in shared apartment, single room, self-catering	
Duration	20 lessons
4 weeks	1,220 €

Optional extras (per week)

Host family, shared room, breakfast included	25 €
Host family, single room, breakfast included	50 €
Host family, shared room, half board	70 €
Host family, single room, half board	105 €
Standard Residence, single room, breakfast included	115 €
Peak-season extra (01/07 - 24/08)	55 €
Accommodation extra for Christmas holidays (23/12-06/01/19)	100 €
Course materials (to be paid on site - per month)	20 €
Airport transfers to/from accommodation (per journey)	75 €

Prices include:

- Your chosen course
- Your chosen accommodation
- All school taxes and enrolment fees

Prices do not include:

- Travel to/from Berlin
- Transfers upon arrival and departure
- All meals in shared flat
- Local transportation
- Activity fees (to be paid on site)
- Course materials
- Deposit, where applicable (€200, to be paid upon arrival)
- Exam fees, where applicable

Practical Information

Travel

Arrivals: Sunday (from 3 pm in residence, between 12 pm and 8 pm in host family)

Departures: Saturday (before 10 am in residence, between 8 am and 12 pm in host family)

Arrival airports or stations:

- Berlin Schönefeld (SXF) : about 30 minutes (express train)
- Berlin Tegel (TXL) : about 45 minutes (express bus)
- Berlin central station

Airport transfers available on request (fees apply, please see Dates & Prices tab)

Please note: do not make travel arrangements until we have confirmed your enrolment in your chosen course (about 4 days after deposit payment).

Visa Information

Do you need a visa for this programme? For more information please consult our page [Visa information](#).

Do not hesitate to contact us by telephone or email if you require any additional information.