

Syllabus: German For Beginners TU Berlin Summer University 2019 Term 1

Week 1 June 10th-14th

	10	11	12	13	14
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 - 10:30	Public Holiday in Germany	Welcome Day! Room H3005, 3 rd floor, TUB main building 10:30: Orientation session 12:30-13:15: Buffet lunch 13:30-15:30: First class session 15:30-16:15: Campus Tour 16:15-16:45: Coffee & Cake	"Ich heiße..." Introduction	"Wie geht's?" Small Talk	In der Stadt 1 Around Town 1
11:00 - 12:30			"Woher kommen Sie?" Phrasing questions	"Was machen Sie?" Work and Field of Studies	In der Stadt 2 Around Town 2
13:30 - 15:30			Cultural Program	Rollenspiele Conversational Practice	Wiederholung Review
16:00 +					Cultural Programm

Week 2 June 17th-21st

	17	18	19	20	21
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				Essay due	
9:00 - 10:30	Orte in der Stadt 1 Places in the City 1	Uhrzeiten Telling Time	Tagesablauf 2 Daily Routine 2	Wegbeschreibung Directions	Cultural Program
11:00 - 12:30	Orte in der Stadt 2 Places in the City 2	Tagesablauf 1 Daily Routine 1	Vocabulary Practice	Stadtrally Mitte City Rally	
13:30 - 15:30	Wiederholung Review (Video)	Rollenspiele Conversational Practice	Cultural Program	Stadtrally Mitte City Rally	
16:00 +	Cultural Program				

Week 3 June 24th-28th

	24	25	26	27	28
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 - 10:30	Midterm Exam	Essen 2 Food 2	Spezialitäten Specialties Presentations	Pläne Making Plans	No class
11:00 - 12:30	Essen 1 Food 1	Türkischer Markt	Vocabulary Practice	Tipps Giving Advice	
13:30 - 15:30	Im Restaurant In a Restaurant	Türkischer Markt	Cultural Program	Regeln Following Rules	
16:00 +	Cultural Program				

Week 4 July 1st-5th

	1	2	3	4	5
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 - 10:30	Gründe Giving Reasons	Living in the GDR	Wohnformen 2 Living 2	Wiederholung Review	No class
11:00 - 12:30	Wohnformen 1 Living 1	Excursion DDR Museum	Zeitungsanzeigen Reading Activities	Final Exam	Abschlussrunde Last class
13:30 - 15:30	Rollenspiele Communicative Practice	Excursion DDR Museum	Übersetzungen Translation Activities	Group projects	Certificates Ceremony Lichthof, 1 st floor, TU Berlin main building 14:00 - 16:00
16:00 +	Cultural Program				

Key

Classwork	Excursion	Assessment	Cultural Program activity*
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*The cultural program timetable will be emailed to you shortly before your course starts. For more information about the cultural program, and for examples of previous schedules, head here: https://www.tu-berlin.de/menue/summer_university/cultural_program/

Assessment information

You will be assessed in the following ways:

1. Attendance and Homework (40%)

It is simply not possible to make satisfactory progress in this or any language course without thorough preparation for class and punctual submission of assignments. Because productive and constructive participation is an integral part of learning a foreign language, it is absolutely necessary that you attend class regularly.

2. Essay due on June 20 (5%)

You will compose and revise one essay on a given topic.

3. Midterm (June 24) and Final Exam (July 4) (20%)

You will take a midterm and final exam based on course material, consisting of sections on listening and comprehension, vocabulary and grammar, reading comprehension, and composition.

4. Oral Presentation (June 26) and Group Project (July 5) (20%)

You will be asked to prepare a short presentation and speak freely about an assigned topic. You will also work with peers on a creative presentation about your impressions of Berlin.

5. Excursions (July 20, June 25, and July 2) (15%)

In communicative situations, you will move through the city and practice German at the same time. On three course days during the term you will go on course-related excursion and take excursion-related quizzes.

Grading information

All participants of the TU Berlin Summer & Winter University are required to select their grading option at the time of registration. The two options available are (i) graded or (ii) pass/fail.

All participants who select option (i) graded, will receive a grade under the German grading system. The following table provides an overview of the grading system and equivalent scores for international credit transfers:

Total mark	German grade	English description
More or equal to 95	1,0	Excellent
More or equal to 90	1,3	Very good
More or equal to 85	1,7	Good
More or equal to 80	2,0	Good
More or equal to 75	2,3	Good
More or equal to 70	2,7	Satisfactory
More or equal to 65	3,0	Satisfactory
More or equal to 60	3,3	Satisfactory
More or equal to 55	3,7	Sufficient
More or equal to 50	4,0	Sufficient
Less than 50	5,0	Failed

Credit Points

ECTS is a point system and European standard developed by the Commission of the European Community. ECTS stands for European Credit Transfer System. The aim is to provide common procedures and guarantee academic recognition of studies abroad. The credit system is based on student workload. All lectures, seminars, excursions and homework count towards the workload. One point is awarded for the equivalent of 25-30 hours of workload.

Course Material

The required book and any additional paper copies used in class will be provided by your instructor.

Spektrum Deutsch A1 (Schubert Verlag)
Anne Buscha und Szilvia Szita
Integriertes Kurs- und Arbeitsbuch

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