

# Learning German in Darmstadt

**An overview of free and open-access  
German courses and language meet-ups**



Darmstadt is a liberal-minded and open city which is on a good path to an inclusive community.

This very brochure shows that there are quite a number of offers leading to an atmosphere which allows for integration – provided that everybody contributes to it.

An important element is, as shown here with this brochure, the opportunity to learn German in an atmosphere of support and guidance.

Language is the key to education and it is essential to communication; furthermore, it makes personal encounters possible and strengthens relationships.

This little booklet **Learning German in Darmstadt** gives an overview of free-of-charge and open-access language offers in our city.

There are a lot of people who – as volunteers or within their jobs – are engaged in giving language trainings. I would like to express my personal thanks to them that they have taken over this important educational task.



Yours, Barbara Akdeniz  
Mayor  
Science City of Darmstadt

## What you find here

The booklet **Learning German in Darmstadt** lists free-of-charge open-access language courses and language meet-ups which are mostly offered by volunteers and educational services.

This information and the website [www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de/en](http://www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de/en) are a service of the **Competence Centre for Learning German** which belongs to the social welfare agency which belongs to Netzwerk ROPE e.V., NGO for Educational and Youthwork Services, supported by the Science City of Darmstadt.

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## Information about the offers

These offers are mostly directed to people without access authorization for regular courses or who cannot afford to pay for courses. They are also addressed to people looking for less intensive ways to study German.

The courses for **Beginners** and **Advanced** have a slower learning pace than intensive courses. Yet please note that these courses do not hand out certificates (like the Goethe Institute, telc or DTZ do). The language meet-ups offered concentrate on conversation and exchange in German.

The respective contact persons for the courses and meet-ups are listed at each offer under **contact**. Please refer all questions concerning the offers to the respective contact.

For up-to-date information about the offers, please see our website: [www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de](http://www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de)



€ Please note: All courses and language meet-ups are free of charge.

## German course A1.2 in Arheilgen

### MitSprache – German 4U: easy-access German course (A1.2)



Time: Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Place: Muckerhaus, Messeler Str. 112 a



Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18  
e-mail: [ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de](mailto:ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de)



Beginning: 29/1/2024








Registration by e-mail or phone.








## Women's course (Arheilgen)

German for everyday life. Practise speaking, reading and writing German together.

-  Time: Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
-  Place: Muckerhaus, Messeler Str. 112 a
-  Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone 06151 13096-18  
e-mail: [ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de](mailto:ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de)
-  Beginning: 24/1/2024
-  Registration by e-mail or phone

## Women's course in Arheilgen (for Ukrainian women)


Practise speaking, reading and writing German together

-  Time: Mondays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
-  Place: Muckerhaus, Messeler Str. 112a
-  Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18,  
e-mail: [ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de](mailto:ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de)
-  Beginning: 15/1/2024
-  Registration by e-mail or phone




## Women's course (Kranichstein)


German for everyday life. Practise speaking, reading and writing German together.

 Time: Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

 Place: Stadtteilwerkstatt Kranichstein, Mirjam-Pressler-Straße 23

 Contact: Mrs Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18,  
e-mail: [ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de](mailto:ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de)


 Beginning: 31/1/2024


 Registration by e-mail or phone


## German for refugees

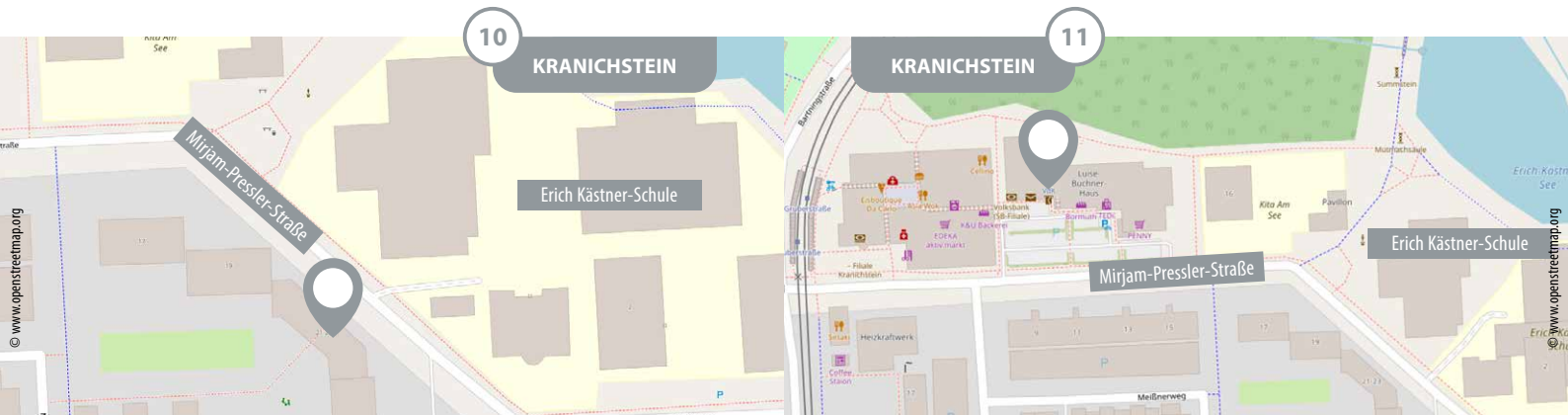
German course for refugees with the goal A2

 Time: Mondays and Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

 Place: Bürgersaal Kranichstein, Mirjam-Pressler-Straße 10, 1st floor

 Contact: Mr. Klaus Neumeyer, e-mail: [kl.neumeyer@t-online.de](mailto:kl.neumeyer@t-online.de)

 Course on an ongoing basis



## German advanced level (from A2 onwards)

**German course for advanced learners from language level A2**



Time: Tuesdays and Fridays 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Place: Stadtteilwerkstatt Kranichstein, Mirjam-Pressler-Straße 23



Contact: Mrs. Rixa Lichtl, e-mail: [rixalichtl@icloud.com](mailto:rixalichtl@icloud.com)



Course on an ongoing basis

## Deutsch für Mamas – German for mothers

**Conversation course for women with children.  
The language level is A2/B1.**



Time: Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



Place: Menschskinder, Siemensstr. 3a



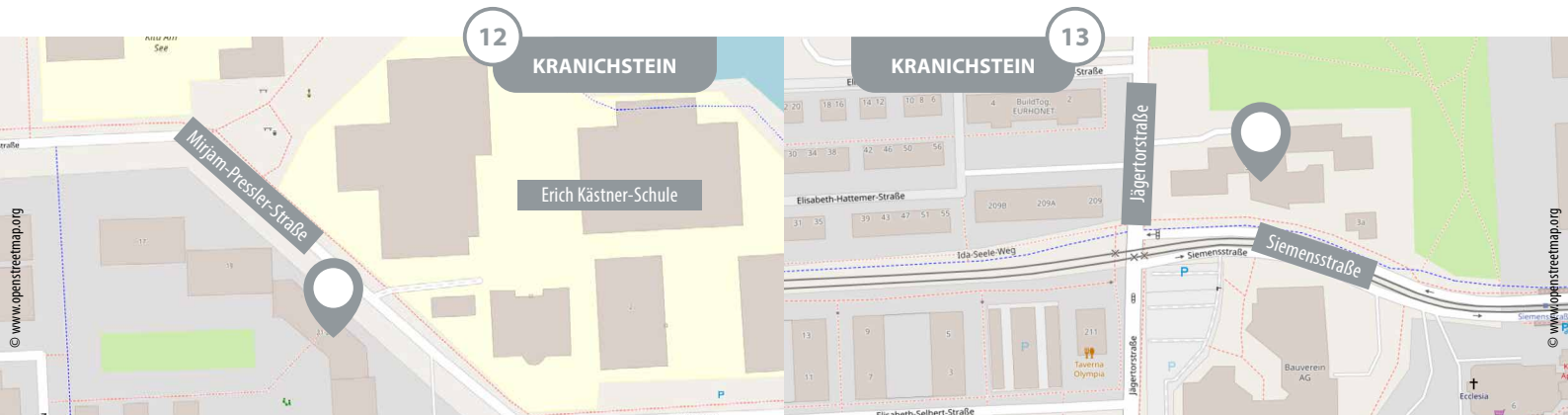
Contact: Mrs. Malgorzata Minuczyc, Phone: 06151-3604595,  
e-mail: [anmeldung@menschskinder-darmstadt.de](mailto:anmeldung@menschskinder-darmstadt.de)



Course on an ongoing basis



Children are present in the course, but there is no extra care for them.



## Cooking and Conversation

Conversation course for women. We will cook together and talk at the same time.



Time: Once a month on Sundays, dates on request.



Place: Menschenskindler, Siemensstr. 3a



Contact: Mrs. Malgorzata Minuczyc, Phone: 06151-3604595,  
e-mail: anmeldung@menschenskindler-darmstadt.de



Course on an ongoing basis

## Dialog in Deutsch – dialogue in German

Open meeting with conversation for different language levels. We will practise to speak freely, with the help of volunteers.



Time: Wednesdays 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.



Place: Stadtteilbibliothek Kranichstein, Bartningstraße 33



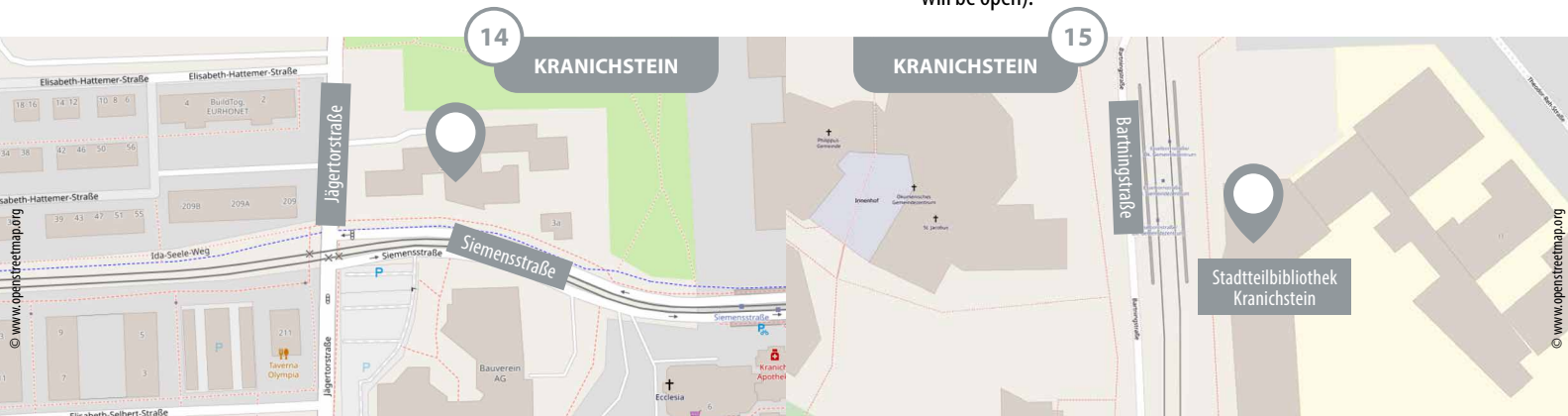
Contact: Mr. Daniel Metzger, Phone: 06151 134580



Course on an ongoing basis



At the same time, there is story-telling for children aged 4 and older.  
The course does not take place during school vacations (but the library will be open).





## Meet and chat for women at the Bürgerpark

Open meeting with conversation for beginners and advanced



Time: Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Place: Mediathek at the „Berufsschulzentrum Nord“ at the Bürgerpark, Alsfelderstr. 23



Contact: Mrs. Antonia Schmitt, Mrs. Monika Frühe  
e-mail: [deutschlernen@network-rope.org](mailto:deutschlernen@network-rope.org)



Course on an ongoing basis



Babys can be brought along, yet there is no childcare for them.

## Women's language cafe

Meeting of women from all over the world. In general, the attendees are advanced learners who want to practise their German.



Time: Every 2nd week on Wednesdays from 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.



Place: Caritaszentrum St. Ludwig, Wilhelm-Glässing-Str. 15



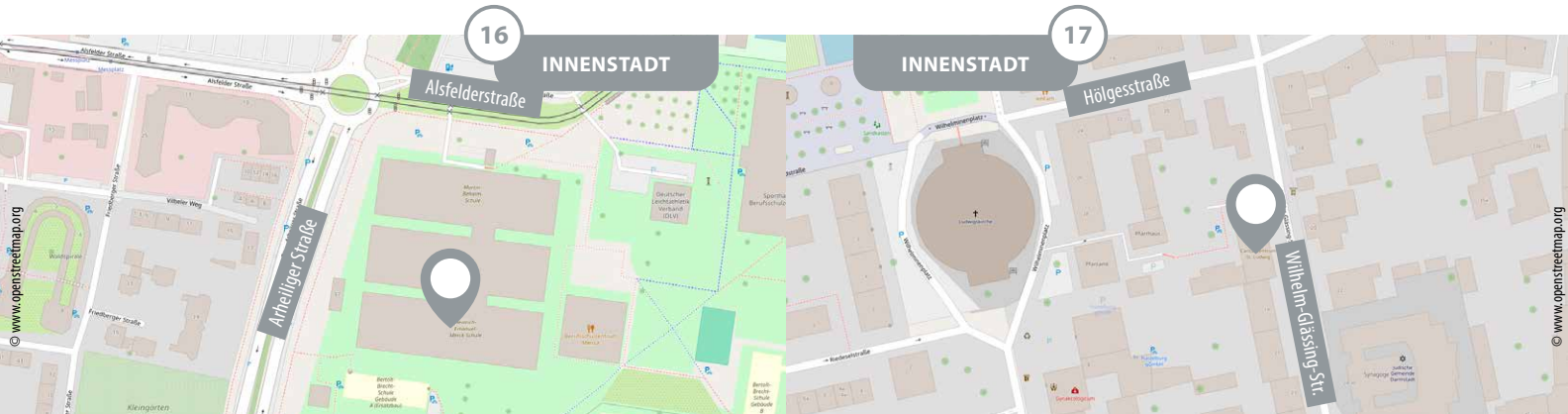
Contact: Mrs. Gisela Franzel, Phone: 06151 1524447  
e-mail: [gisela.franzel@pr-dami.de](mailto:gisela.franzel@pr-dami.de)



Course on an ongoing basis



You can find dates via a link on [www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de](http://www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de)



## Refugee women welcome

A gathering for refugee women: reading, talking, excursions



Time: Thursdays 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.



Place: Frauenzentrum (Women's centre), Emilstraße 10



Contact: Mrs. Christine Kelter-Honecker, Phone: 06151 711336  
e-mail: frauenzentrum@baff-darmstadt.de



Course on an ongoing basis



For current information visit:  
<http://frauenzentrum-darmstadt.de/aktuell>

## Learning German for Farsi-speaking women

If necessary, the rules will be explained in Farsi, for better understanding.



Time: Mondays and Wednesdays 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.



Place: Frauenzentrum (Women's centre), Emilstraße 10



Contact: Mrs. Nasrin Dehghani, Mobil: 0157 39745505 or  
Mrs. Christine Kelter-Honecker, Phone: 06151 711336,  
e-mail: frauenzentrum@baff-darmstadt.de



Course on an ongoing basis



## Sprachclub Darmstadt – language club Darmstadt

**Conversation in German, cooking together and other activities**



Time: Mondays 6.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.



Place: Mehr-Generationen-Haus (More-generation-house), Julius-Reiber-Straße 20-22



Contact: Ahmad, Elif and Lisa, e-mail: Sprachclub\_darmstadt@gmx.de



Course on an ongoing basis



For more information, please see:  
<https://m.facebook.com/SprachclubDarmstadt/>

## Dialogue in German – Stadtbibliothek / Public Library

**Open meeting for different language levels.  
Free speaking, with guidance by volunteers**



Time: Thursdays 5.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.



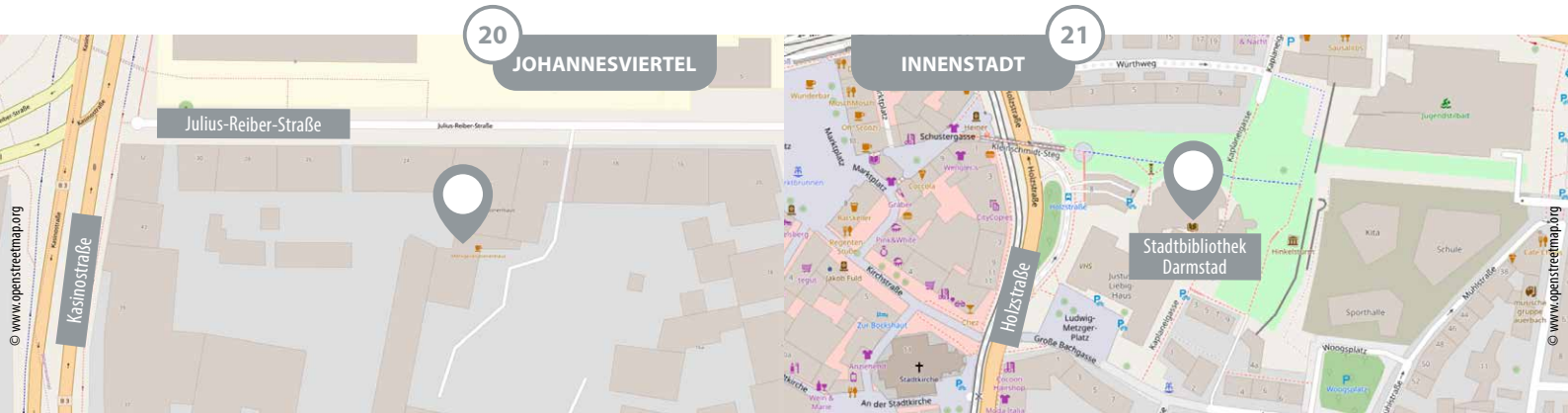
Place: Stadtbibliothek (Public library) Darmstadt in the Justus-Liebig-Haus, Große Bachgasse 2



Contact: Mrs. Sabine Laukiehn, Phone: 06151 132759



Course on an ongoing basis



## Women's course in the inner city

**Course for women only: Getting support to manage everyday life – Speaking, reading and practising to write**



Time: Tuesdays and Fridays 9.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.



Place: Caritaszentrum Pallaswiesenstr. 148 A



Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18  
e-mail: [ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de](mailto:ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de)



Beginning: 2/7/2024



Registration by e-mail or phone.

## Talking, reading and writing together

**Starting from level A2, we offer the opportunity for oral and written exchange within a group**



Time: Every third Wednesday of the month, 4:30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.



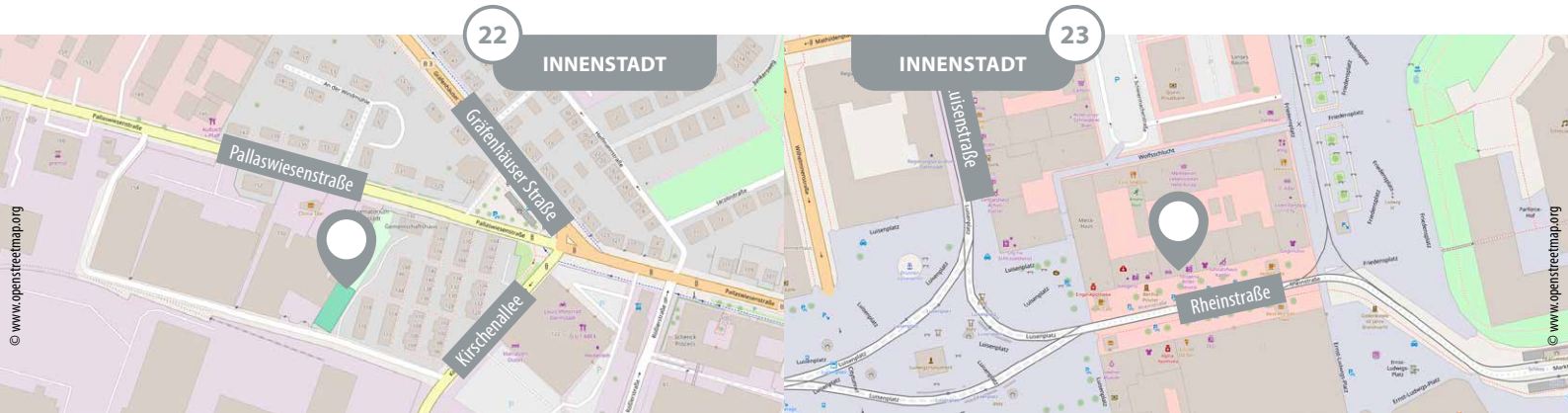
Place: Januam, Rheinstraße 5



Contact: Mr. Muhammed Gökbel, e-mail: [contact@januam.com](mailto:contact@januam.com)



Course on an ongoing basis



## Welcome Meeting

in the Petrusgemeinde (Petrus Protestant Community)



Time: Fridays 4.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.



Place: Gemeindehaus Petrusgemeinde (Parish Community Centre),  
Eichwiesenstraße 8



Contact: Mrs. Ute Theiß, e-mail: utemag.theiss@web.de



Course on an ongoing basis

## Language meeting

by the Protestant Matthäus Parish. Learning German and  
getting help in everyday life



Time: Wednesdays 2.45 p.m. - 4.30 p.m., Thursdays 4.00 p.m. - 5.45 p.m.



Place: Parish hall of the Protestant Matthäus Parish, Heimstättenweg 77



Contact: Mr. Andreas Schwöbel, Phone: 06151 311662 and  
Mrs. Malgorzata Minuczyc (Gosia), Phone: 01522 2636072,  
e-mail: malgorzata.minuczyc@yahoo.com



Course on an ongoing basis



Please register with M. Minuczyc if you would like to attend.  
Thursdays with childcare



## Language opportunity for women

**Conversation course for women from the Lincoln Siedlung. Learning and speaking together**



Time: Tuesdays 9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.



Place: Mahalia-Jackson-Straße 27



Contact: Mrs. Nina Batt, e-mail: [n.batt@baff-darmstadt.de](mailto:n.batt@baff-darmstadt.de)



Course on an ongoing basis

## Women's course in the Lincoln-Siedlung

**Making women fit for everyday life Speaking, reading and practising writing together. Women only**



Time: Mondays and Fridays 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.



Place: Quartierwerkstatt Lincoln, Mahalia-Jackson-Straße 1c



Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18,  
e-mail: [ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de](mailto:ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de)



Beginning: 15/1/2024



Registration by e-mail or phone.



## Alphabetisation course for women

German course for female analphabets in the „Bürger-saal“ Lincoln-Siedlung



Time: Wednesdays 9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.



Place: Bürgersaal Lincoln-Siedlung, Mahalia-Jackson-Straße 1c



Contact: Mrs. Louisa Hengesbach,  
e-mail: l.hengesbach@baff-darmstadt.de



Course on an ongoing basis

## German course – discussion group

German course for people from Ukraine, organized by the team from the meet-and-chat cafe in Eberstadt



Time: Tuesdays 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.



Place: Parish hall of the „Dreifaltigkeitsgemeinde“ („Trinity church“),  
Heidelberger Landstraße 311



Contact: Mr. Gustav Fetzer, e-mail: gustav.fetzer@t-online.de



Course on an ongoing basis



## Meet-and-chat-cafe Eberstadt

Learning German, discussing with others, preparing visits to authorities and getting help with homework



Time: Tuesdays 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.



Place: „Dreifaltigkeitsgemeinde“ („Trinity church“),  
Heidelberger Landstraße 311



Contact: Mr. Gustav Fetzer, e-mail: [gustav.fetzer@t-online.de](mailto:gustav.fetzer@t-online.de)



Course on an ongoing basis



For adults and children primary school age and older

## Learning German at St. Josef's Parish

German course for beginners with basic knowledge. We practise reading, speaking and studying basic German grammar



Time: Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.



Place: Parish hall of the St. Josef's Parish, Darmstadt-Eberstadt.  
The entrance is on Gabelsberger Strasse, at the back of the church



Contact: Mr. Ralf Glausch, Phone: 06154-623960,  
e-mail: [ralf.glausch.deutschkurs@gmail.com](mailto:ralf.glausch.deutschkurs@gmail.com)



Course on an ongoing basis





## Online course for students

### Online course for students of the TU Darmstadt.



Time: Mondays and Thursdays 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.



Place: Online course.



Contact: Mrs. Rixa Lichtl, e-mail: rixa.lichtl@icloud.com



Course on an ongoing basis



For students only

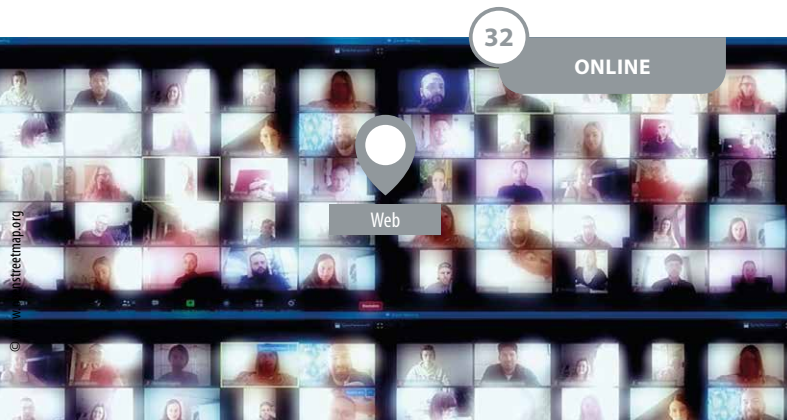
## Learning with apps and online-courses

Learning with apps and online-courses is a good addition to attending a “live” course. On the following pages, we present a range of such learning tools which we have tested.

We would like to encourage you to try out these digital tools. Apps can of course not replace a live course, yet they do have advantages: You are able to learn in your own pace and choose the homework you would like to do. Furthermore, videos can lively explain the topics and interactive tasks can give you a direct feedback.

Here we present some offers that are suitable for learners at different levels and with different needs. The selection contains only apps free-of-charge and free online content from approved providers.

For more apps, please see our homepage:  
<https://deutsch-in-darmstadt.de/en/digital-learning/>



## Lern Deutsch – For children

**Lern Deutsch** is a learning game for beginners that is especially suitable for children. The players explore a virtual “city of words” and learn German within the process.

The appealing graphics and the exciting tasks ensure lots of fun. Along the way, the players learn vocabulary and basic grammar. Of course, the game is just as suitable for adults.

### Languages

English, Spanish, French, Italian, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic

### Language level

Beginners

### Cost

Free of charge

### Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

Lern Deutsch

### Google search

Lern Deutsch Goethe

### Website

[www.goethe.de/de/spr/ueb/led.html](http://www.goethe.de/de/spr/ueb/led.html)

### App provided by

Goethe Institut

## Einstieg Deutsch – For beginners

**Einstieg Deutsch** is an app with over 500 exercises on various topics. German beginners can work independently on 15 topics such as health, work, everyday life, making appointments and many others. Because of the nicely designed graphics and videos, learning is real fun. The app is available in many languages. You can switch the tasks and the menu to another language. The app also has an integrated dictionary.

**Tip:** You can download lessons and practice offline.

### Languages

English, Spanish, French, Italian, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic

### Language level

Beginners-A1

### Cost

Free of charge

### Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

Einstieg Deutsch

### Website

[www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/deutsch.php](http://www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/deutsch.php)

### App provided by

Volkshochschule (vhs)

## DW Learn German – German courses in an app

**DW Learn German** is an app by “Deutsche Welle” (a TV channel in German language for foreign countries). The app offers courses for beginners, A1 and B1. It is well designed, with numerous videos and accompanying exercises. There is also a special section on language at the work place. All courses – and more – can also be found on the Deutsche Welle website.

**Tip:** The app also offers videos for learning the alphabet and a German classification test.

### Languages

English, Arabic, Russian, Persian

### Language level

Anfänger-B1

### Cost

Free of charge

### Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

DW Deutsch lernen / DW learn German

### Website

learngerman.dw.com/en/overview

### App provided by

Deutsche Welle

## ABC-Deutsch, A1-Deutsch, A2-Deutsch, B1-Deutsch

The Adult Education Centre („Volkshochschule“) has released four apps for German courses. For absolute beginners, there is the app **ABC German**. For those already knowing the alphabet, there is the course **A1 German**. There are two more apps, for **A2 German** and **B1 German**. The apps are well designed and offer a variety of exercises leading up to each other. There are two disadvantages: you have to register and the menu navigation is available in German only.

### Languages

German

### Language level

ABC

### Cost

Free of charge, registration required

### Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

ABC-Deutsch, A1-Deutsch, A2-Deutsch, B1-Deutsch

### Website

www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/deutsch.php

### App provided by

Volkshochschule (vhs) (Adult Education Centre)

## A2-B1-Deutschkurs Beruf – German for the work place

With the course **A2-B1 German for work**, the Adult Education Centre („Volkshochschule“) offers a complete language course for advanced beginners. This course is available online and as an app. Attractively designed graphics and short films help you learn German. (Free) registration is required for the course.

**Tip:** On the website, you can also view the exercises of the course as a guest (without registering).

### Languages

German

### Language level

A2-B1

### Cost

Free of charge, registration required

### Google search

vhs Lernportal

### Website

[www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/deutsch.php](http://www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/deutsch.php)

### App provided by

Volkshochschule (vhs) (Adult Education Centre)

## B2 Beruf – German at work

The **B2 Beruf** app is for advanced learners and it is well suited for self-learning. It offers an entire B2 German course in 20 lessons, concentrating on the topic “Language at work”. Attractively designed graphics and short films help you learn. You can download entire lessons and practise them offline. Registration is required for the app.

**Tip:** On the website, you can also view the exercises of the course as a guest (without registration).

### Languages

Exercises in German, vocabulary trainer in many languages

### Language level

B2

### Cost

Free of charge, registration required

### Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

B2-Beruf

### Website

[www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/deutsch.php](http://www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/deutsch.php)

### App provided by

Adult Education Centre (Volkshochschule/vhs)

## Deutsche Welle – German News spoken slowly

Our online tip for everyone who wants to know what's going on in Germany: Every day from Monday to Saturday, you can find here the latest daily news in politics, business and society.

The news are spoken slowly and understandably. In addition to the audio file (MP3) for download, you can read the full text.

### Languages

German

### Language level

B2, C1

### Cost

Free of charge

### Google search

Slowly spoken news / langsam gesprochene Nachrichten

### Website

[www.dw.com/de/deutsch-lernen/nachrichten/s-8030](http://www.dw.com/de/deutsch-lernen/nachrichten/s-8030)

### App provided by

Deutsche Welle

## FAQs

### **May I attend any course / meet and chat?**

In principle yes – provided that there are still vacancies in the respective course. Some course offers are for women only; if so, it says on the description of the course.

### **I would like to attend a special course / meet and chat. What do I have to do?**

The description of each course in this brochure contains the data of the contact person. Please contact the respective person to find out whether there are still vacancies.

### **Do you also offer individual lessons?**

Unfortunately we don't. We are not able to offer individual support, private lessons or lessons at your home. Please see: [www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de/en/](http://www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de/en/) for apps for individual learning.

### **Can I take an exam and get a language certificate in the courses listed in the brochure?**

This is unfortunately not possible. If you need a language certificate, you will have to attend an integration or intensive course with an acknowledged language institution or language school.

### **Do you still have any further questions?**

Please feel free to contact us at [deutschlernen@network-rope.org](mailto:deutschlernen@network-rope.org). We will do our best to assist you or to pass you on to the right contact.

HOMEPAGE

[www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de](http://www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de)

