



## Teacher Training

<b>Target group</b>	Teachers of German
<b>Course content</b>	Teacher training and language course
<b>Course locations</b>	Berlin   Frankfurt   Hamburg   Munich
<b>Course duration</b>	2 weeks
<b>Course dates</b>	year-round   every Monday
<b>Lessons</b>	26 lessons per week
<b>Activity program</b>	2 per week   weekend excursions
<b>Accommodation</b>	host family   hotel

### Included in the price

- ✦ Placement test | Personal assessment interview
- ✦ Teacher training | 26 lessons per week
- ✦ Certificate at the end of course
- ✦ 2 activities per week (admission and fare not incl.)
- ✦ Weekend excursions (admission and fare not incl.)

### Even if you are a teacher there's plenty to learn

*Learning never ends...* already noticed the great German composer *Robert Schumann*. And the first German chancellor *Otto von Bismarck* also had to admit at an old age: *I am learning as long as I live. Thus, I am still learning today...* We are not going to contradict this – on the opposite: Language professionals as well should constantly improve their knowledge because a language is downright living through change! Teachers of German language have the unique chance of updating their knowledge and know-how: What are the latest teaching materials used in German classes? Are there any new trends and methods? Come to our institutes and our teachers will give you all the information you're asking for.

No matter if you work at a private language institute or a public school: Being a professional instructor you always experience instruction only from the teacher's point of view! If you decide taking our *Teacher Training* course you're going to play the student's part for a change and, thus, you will understand how differently teaching methods will be perceived from a learner's point of view. This will be very exciting and will also enable you to reflect on your own professional situation for instance by comparing all our teaching methods with your own. Class visitations and discussions with our teachers will help you doing this. You will see: there's still quite a lot to learn.

### Study German... being a student

Our German course for teachers covers 26 lessons per week, divided into three instructional stages correlating with one another: In this teacher program you will study German language being a regular student, being an observer and being a critic! At a first stage you are participating in a Standard Course and will experience our international classes from a student's perspective. You will gain a lot of new impressions about pedagogical methods. Furthermore, you'll have time to compare the pedagogical styles of your teachers with your own and to reflect about the differences. The main thing at this stage, though, is that you are going to improve your own language competence by participating in this course.

### Study German... being an observer

In addition to the daily participation in the Standard Course you can look forward to four more lessons every week. However, this will be in a different class with other teachers. Thus, you'll have the opportunity to experience and analyze a variety of individual pedagogical methods and a large number of very different teacher personalities. Your attention will once again be focused on analyzing the exam materials, the methods and the general group dynamics: Is the selection of teaching methods age-related? How do you evaluate the use of supplementary materials? Are materials like audio and video tapes meaningfully integrated into the instructional context? In this second stage of course you will learn, most of all, by observing.

### Study German... being a critic

After class you are going to meet the second stage instructor for an individual discussion. Here you'll have the opportunity speaking about pedagogical approaches and educational concepts as well as the curriculum in particular. At the third stage, your contributions are most important and the experiences you've made will be evaluated. There's plenty of time for an intensive professional discussions among two experienced colleagues, meaning your German instructor and you, an instructor as well. This way, you can develop some new ideas, talk about new teaching materials and about encouraging intercultural comparison. A final meeting with the institute director will complete the program where you'll go beyond the pedagogical aspect by also gaining insight into the management of a language school such as *did*. This way, you'll get to know the essentials of our institute in only two weeks time.

## Training for teachers

✦ German for adults ✦ Language programs

