

## German for Beginners

**Prerequisites:** None

**Target level\*:** Level A1/A2 of the CEFR

**Approach:** We follow a task-based, skills-orientated and communicative approach, fostering communicative competence in the target language with an Engineering-flavoured choice of topics to equip students with a basic command of German.

**Educational aims:**

- To provide an introduction to German Language in the main language skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing)
- To cover the basic grammatical structures and lexis
- To encourage a positive and confident attitude towards language learning
- To promote cultural awareness

\* For CEFR descriptors, see

<http://to.eng.cam.ac.uk/teaching/language/Courses%20Foreign%20Languages/CEFR%20grid.pdf>

**Learning outcomes:**

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- Understand short and simple monologues or dialogues on familiar topics immediately related to their personal and/or professional environment and/or interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Take part in simple conversations on familiar topics immediately related to their personal and/or professional environment and/or interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Talk for a few minutes using simple sentences about familiar topics immediately related to their personal and/or professional environment and/or interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Understand short and simple texts on familiar topics immediately related to their personal and/or professional environment and/or interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Write short and simple texts on familiar topics immediately related to their personal and/or professional environment and/or interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)

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