

German Upper Intermediate

Prerequisites: Level B1 of the CEFR

Target level*: Level B1/B2 of the CEFR

Approach: We follow a task-based, skills-orientated and communicative approach, fostering communicative competence in the target language by giving special attention to the typical idiom of engineering-related and adjacent subject areas. Based on their previous knowledge of German, students will be guided towards the specific usage of German in academic, scientific and work-related contexts.

Educational aims:

- To develop further the main language skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing)
- To develop a fairly advanced understanding of German grammar and expand lexis
- To strengthen a positive and confident attitude towards language learning
- To develop further cultural understanding

* 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 authentic monologues, dialogues and video recordings on topics related to their personal and professional environment and interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Take part in conversations or simple debates on topics related to their personal and professional environment and interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Talk for a few minutes about topics related to their personal and professional environment and interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Understand authentic texts on topics related to their personal and professional environment and interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)
- Write structured texts on topics related to their personal and professional environment and interests, as well as other aspects of the target culture(s)

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