



OPENING SESSION SEPTEMBER – WINTER SEMESTER 2026/27

Welcome to the University of Bonn

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Agenda

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- 1) Intercultural Experience
- 2) Welcome Days
- 3) Formalities
- 4) Pre-Semester and In-Semester German Language Classes
- 5) Q&A
- 6) Hangout with student assistants

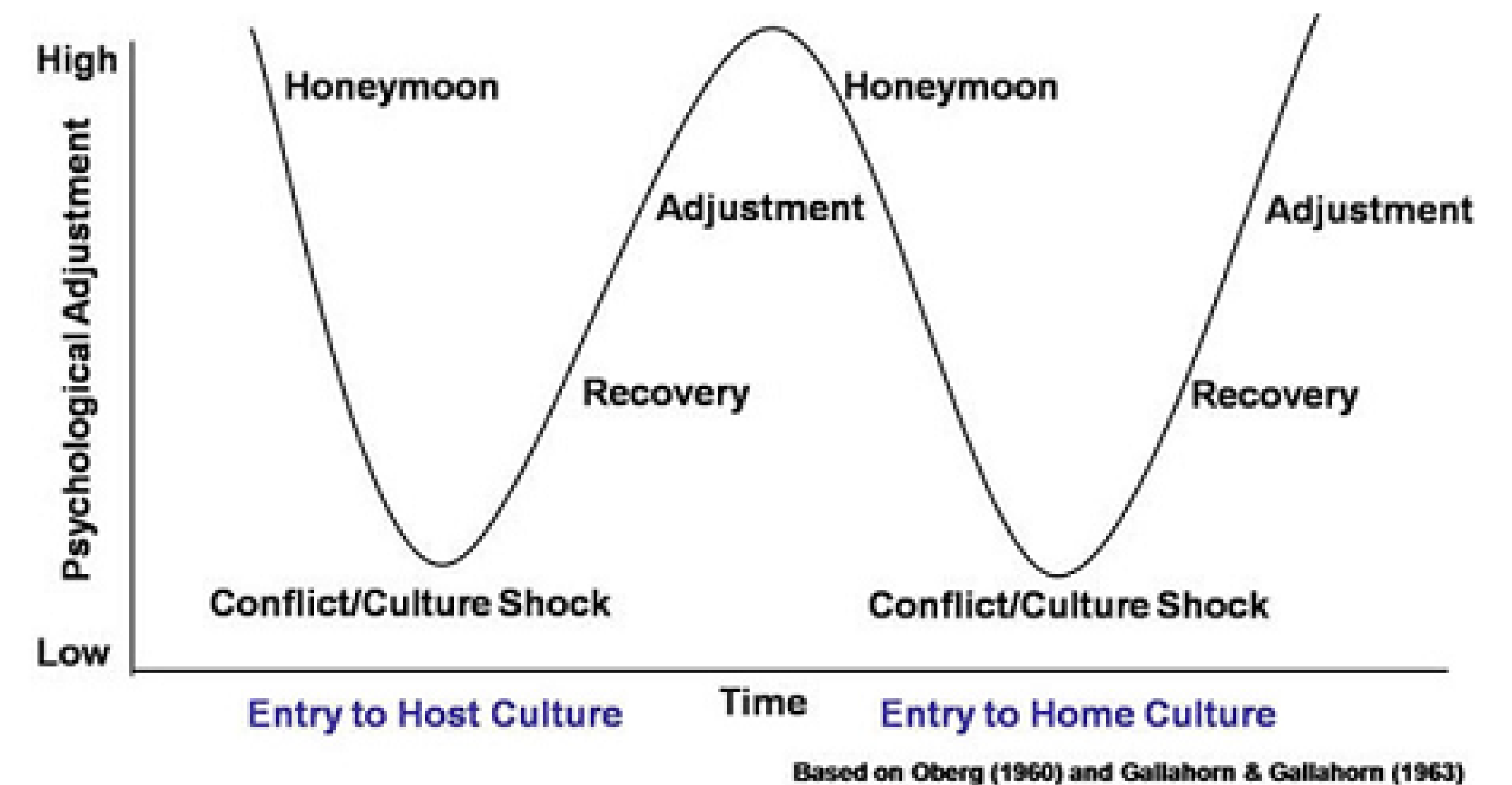


Intercultural experience

Intercultural experience

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- Being abroad is challenging and can be tough at times
- Be prepared for your *Culture Shock Moment* – it's part of the experience
- New country – new experiences – new friends – Be open-minded



Tips for adjusting to a new culture

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- Take care of yourself physically. [University sports](#) can help with getting motivated
- Connect with other international students and Germans: [International Club](#), [International Choir](#), [Welcome Buddy Program](#), Instagram account [@unibonn.international.students](#), [BONNEWS newsletter](#), [Connecting at the UoB](#) ...
- Explore your host country: Free transportation starting October 1 is included in your student ID. Make use of it!

Tips for adjusting to a new culture

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Give yourself permission to feel sad, frustrated or angry at times. Negative feelings are normal! You should process these emotions, rather than just pushing them away/ignoring the issue

→ If you wish to talk to professionals, contact the University's [Psychological Counseling](#) or the Studierendenwerk's [Psychological counselling centre](#).

→ Both are confidential and free of charge!

Welcome Days

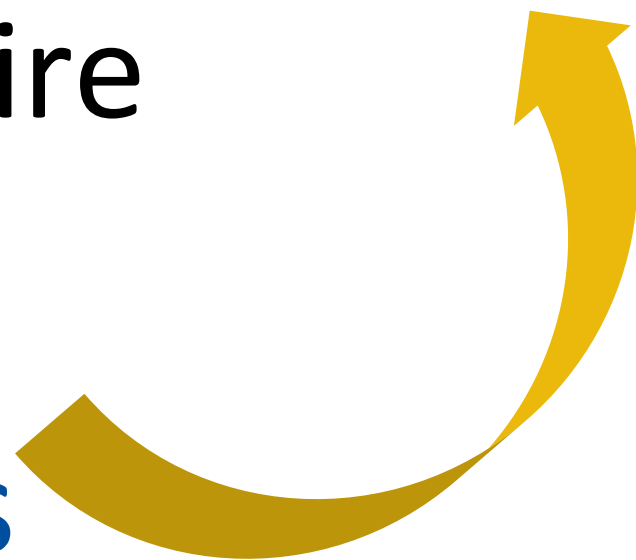
Welcome Days

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- From now until November 04
- Preparation for semester start
- Info videos can be found [here](#)
- Info events and social events
(only events which say so require a registration)



www.uni-bonn.de/welcome-days



Welcome Days Overview – September

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Week 1	Monday, 31	Tuesday, 01	Wednesday, 02	Thursday, 03	Friday, 04	Saturday, 05	Sunday, 06
Morning				9 am Start of Intensive German Courses			
Afternoon			Welcome Event				
Week 2	Monday, 07	Tuesday, 08	Wednesday, 09	Thursday, 10	Friday, 11	Saturday, 12	Sunday, 13
Morning					10 am City Tour 2		
Afternoon	1-2 pm IT Services at the University of Bonn		4:30 pm City Tour 1				
Evening	7 pm Chit-Chat Lounge		6:30 pm Tarte Flambée night at International Club (entrance on Argelanderstraße)	5 pm Outdoor Games			

Welcome Days Overview – September

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Week 3	Monday, 14	Tuesday, 15	Wednesday, 16	Thursday, 17	Friday, 18	Saturday, 29	Sunday, 20
Morning							
Afternoon		2 pm City Tour 3	4 pm City Tour 4	12:15 pm End of the B2.2 / C1 Intensive German Course	9 am-4 pm Arriving in another country – coping with uncertainties		
Evening	7 pm Chit-Chat Lounge	5:30 pm Creative Night	6:30 pm Game Night at International Club (entrance on Argelanderstraße)				
Week 4	Monday, 21	Tuesday, 22	Wednesday, 23	Thursday, 24	Friday, 25	Saturday, 26	Sunday, 27
Afternoon		2 pm City Tour 5		12:15 pm End of Intensive German Courses			
Evening	6 pm Info Session Housing 7 pm Chit-Chat Lounge		6:30 pm Sundowner Bar hangout (registration needed)	2 pm City Tour 6			

Welcome Days Overview – October

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Week 5	Monday, 28	Tuesday, 29	Wednesday, 30	Thursday, 01	Friday, 02	Saturday, 03	Sunday, 04
Afternoon		1-2 pm Studying as a Degree-Seeking International Student					
Evening	7 pm Chit-Chat Lounge	5 pm Regional Evening “Middle East” 7 pm Pub hangout (registration needed)					
Week 6	Monday, 05	Tuesday, 06	Wednesday, 07	Thursday, 08	Friday, 09	Saturday, 10	Sunday, 11
Morning		09:30 am - 12:30 pm Welcome Event for New International Students	10:30 am Leisure Activities for International Students		11 am - 12 pm Career in Germany for First-Year Students		
Afternoon			4-5 pm Q&A Session for International Doctoral Students	3 pm Collect&Enjoy at International Club (entrance on Argelanderstraße)			

Welcome Days Overview – October

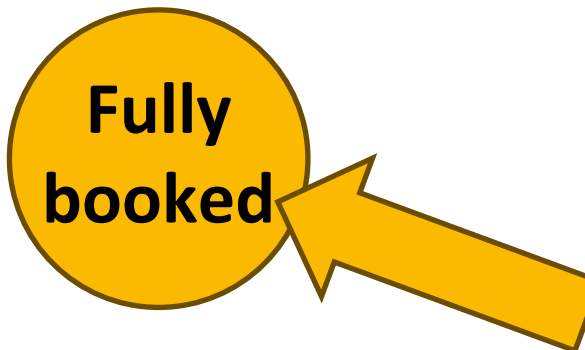
Week 7	Monday, 12	Tuesday, 13	Wednesday, 14	Thursday, 15	Friday, 16	Saturday, 17	Sunday, 18
Morning	Lecture period begins			11 am Info Session Housing			
Afternoon							
Week 9	Monday, 26	Tuesday, 27	Wednesday, 28	Thursday, 29	Friday, 30	Saturday, 31	Sunday, 01
Morning							
Afternoon		3-4 pm Health Insurance and Medical Appointments					

Welcome Days Overview – November



Week 10	Monday, 02	Tuesday, 03	Wednesday, 04	Thursday, 05	Friday, 06	Saturday, 07	Sunday, 08
Morning							
Afternoon			5-6:30 pm Funding Your Studies as an International Student				

Welcome Days – City Tours



Title	Language	Date	Starting time
Discover Bonn on Foot - Roman Founding, Baroque Residence, and Beethoven’s City	English	September 09	04:30 pm
The New Bonn - From Capital City to International Hub	German	September 11	10:00 am
Women’s Power in Bonn - Women Who Changed the World	English	September 15	02:00 pm
Bonn: A City of Books - A “LiteraTour”	German	September 16	04:00 pm
The Path of Democracy - A Walking Tour of the Former Government District	English	September 22	02:00 pm
Sustainability in Bonn - A Commitment to Local, Ecological, and Fair Practices	English	September 24	02:00 pm

→ Registration until **September 04, 04 pm** via <https://survey.lamapoll.de/Guided-City-Tours-for-Participants-of-the-Intensive-German-Courses>

Formalities – Next Steps / Q&A

- ✓ Insurance
- ✓ Enrollment → Student ID → Uni Bonn App → Semester Ticket
- ✓ Dorm Lease (and Wohnungsgeberbestätigung)
- ✓ City registration
- ✓ Visa and residence permit (only non-EU citizens)
- ✓ Opening a bank account (mandatory for scholarship holders)

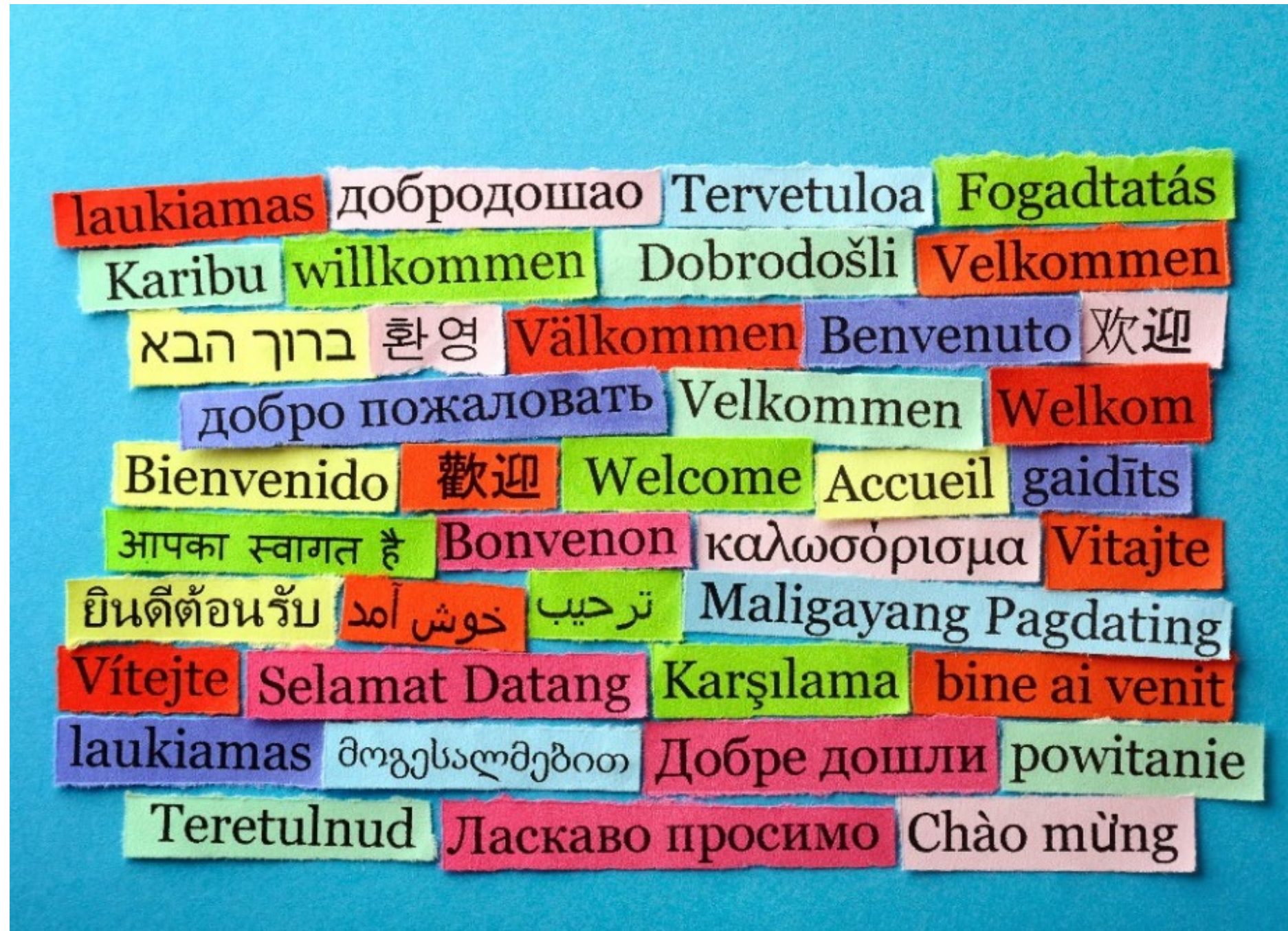
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German Classes

Pre-Semester Intensive German Course **UNIVERSITY OF BONN**



Schedule

- From September 03-24, 2026
- From September 03-17, 2026 B2.2 / C1 Course
- Each week covers 16 lessons à 45 minutes
- No classes on Fridays during weeks 2, 3 and 4 😊

Pre-Semester German Language classes

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Course content

- Oral and written communication in everyday life
- Improvement and consolidation of grammatical structures, vocabulary and phonetics
- Information about student life and living in Bonn

The classes are taught by experienced staff.



Pre-Semester German Language classes

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Course Material

- Teachers will provide the textbook title at the beginning of the course

Grades and credit points

- different examination formats in the course
- 4 ECTS credits can be obtained
- You can achieve a partial level in September and finish the whole level during the semester

In-Semester German Language Classes

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Wintersemester 2026
Semesterbegleitende Deutschkurse (SDK)
In-Semester Language Courses (SDC)

ALLTAGSSPRACHLICHE
DEUTSCHKURSE
EVERYDAY GERMAN
LANGUAGE COURSES

REGISTRATION ONLINE FROM OCTOBER
13, 2026 (10:30 AM)

THEMENSPEZIFISCHE KURSE
SPECIAL TOPIC COURSES

REGISTRATION ONLINE FROM
OCTOBER 15 (10:30 AM) TO 16 (02:00
PM) , 2026

[In-Semester German Language Courses – University of Bonn \(uni-bonn.de\)](https://uni-bonn.de)

Alltagssprachliche Kurse

Courses for everyday language (4 hours per week)

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A1.1	For beginners with no or very little previous knowledge
A1.2	For beginners with little previous knowledge
A2.1	For participants with basic knowledge
A2.2	For participants with advanced basic knowledge



What do I buy?
Grocery shopping in Germany

How do I make a doctor's appointment

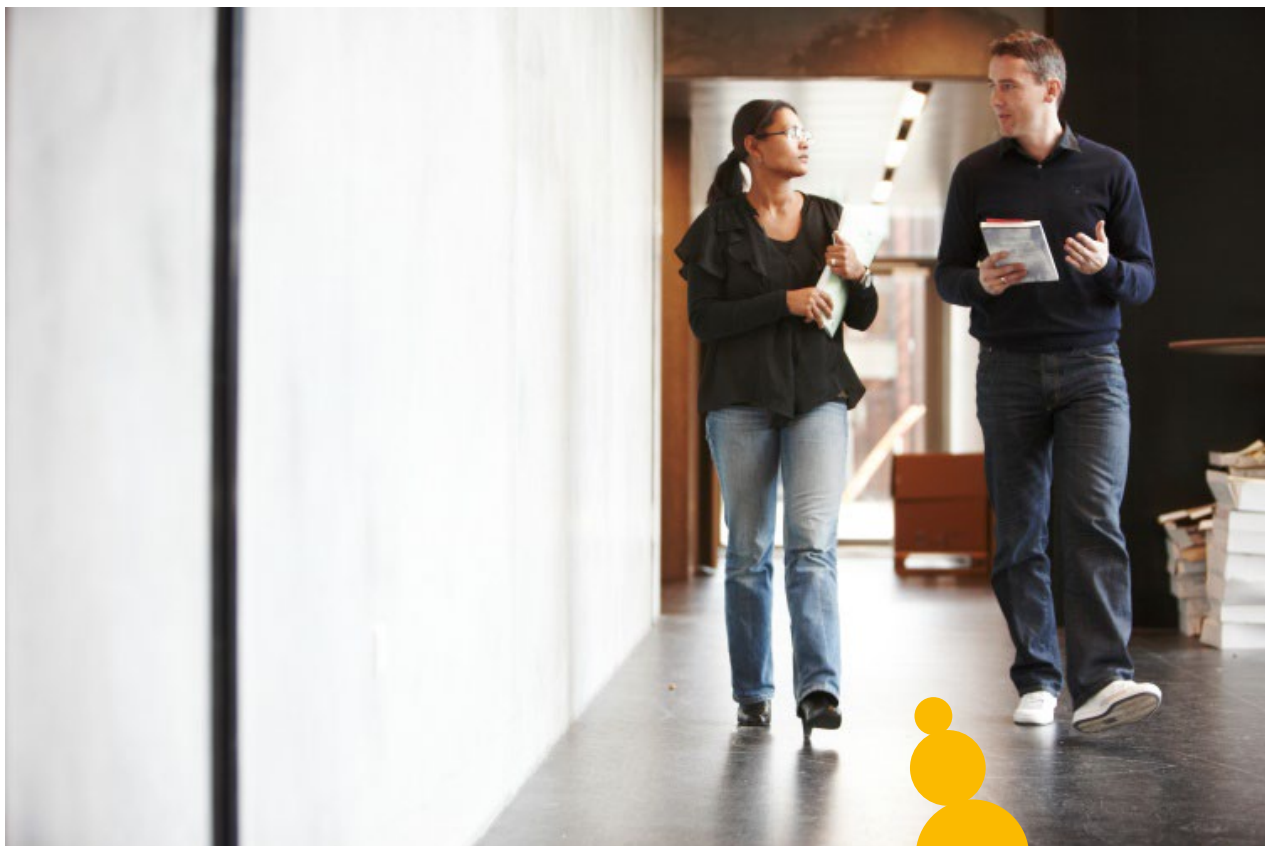
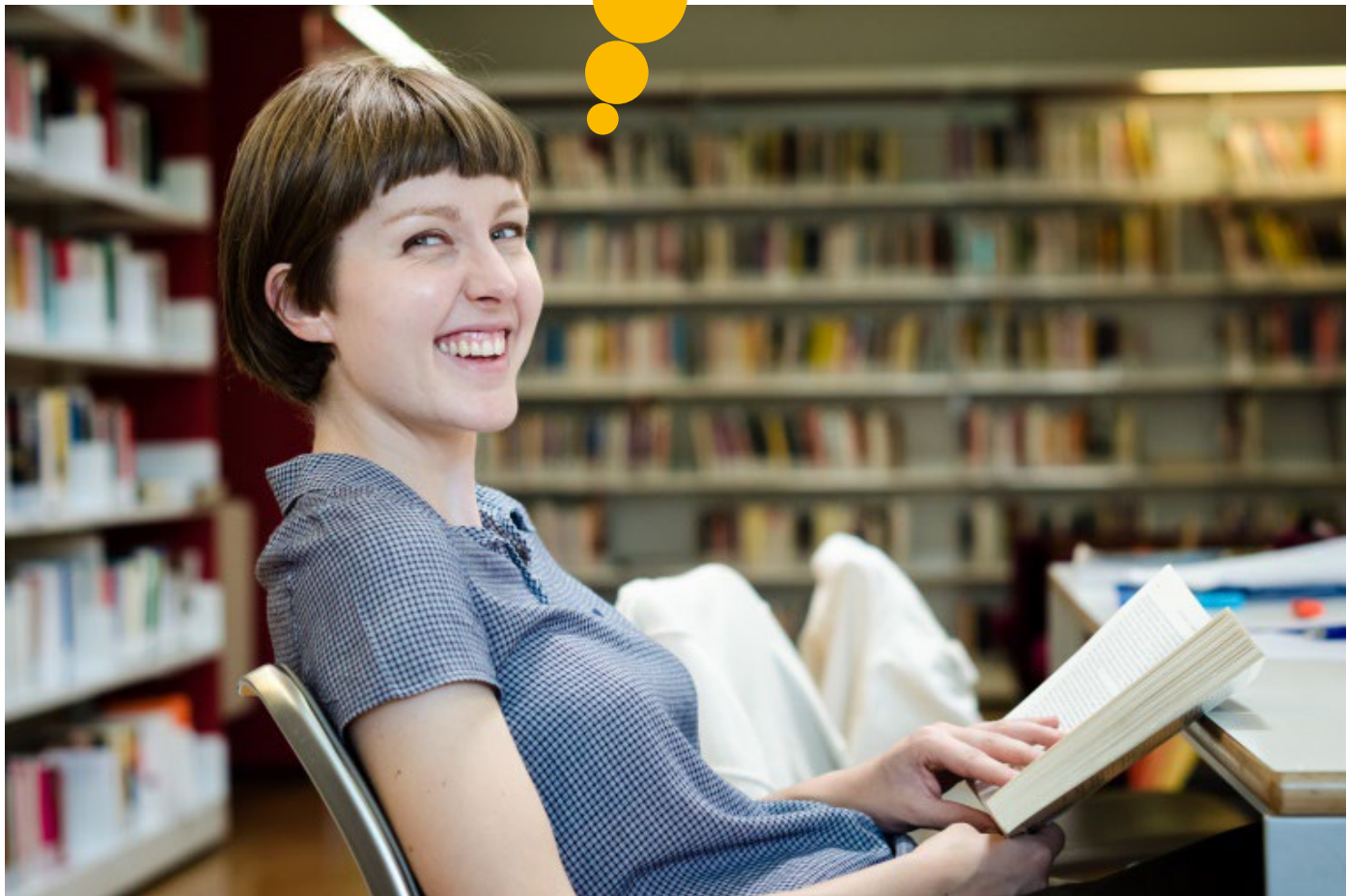


Alltagssprachliche Kurse

Courses for everyday language

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Ja, ich kann die
Literatur auf
Deutsch lesen!



Ihre
Argumentation
heute war sehr
überzeugend.

B1.1	Für Teilnehmende mit grundlegenden Kenntnissen
B1.2	für Teilnehmende mit guten Deutschkenntnissen
B2.1	für Teilnehmende mit fortgeschrittenen Kenntnissen
B2.2/C1	für Teilnehmende mit sehr guten/weit fortgeschrittenen Deutschkenntnissen

Themenkurse Special Topic Courses (2 hours per week)

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A2/B1	My image of Germany – a practical regional and cultural studies course
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A2.2/B1	Communicative grammar
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A2/B1	Practical pronunciation training (phonetics)
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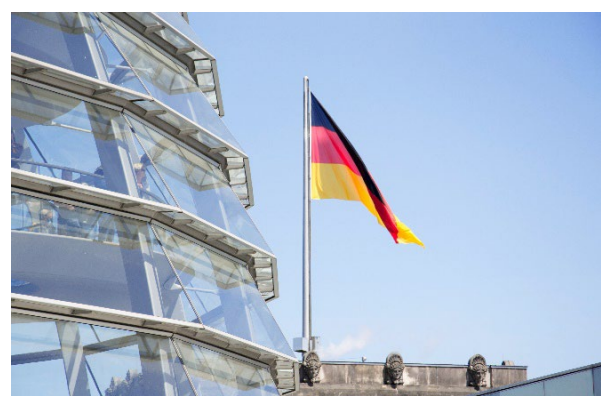
B1/B2	Next stop: Germany!
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B1/B2	German and art
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B1/B2	German for Economists
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B1/B2	Creative Writing Workshop
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B1/B2	Dialogue about the future – a self-learning course on eCampus
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Themenkurse Special Topic Courses

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B2/C1	Zeitgenössische Diskurse in Medien – worüber diskutiert Deutschland und die Welt?
B2/C1	Praktisches Aussprachetraining
B2/C1	Grammatik für Fortgeschrittene
B2/C1	Sicher präsentieren und überzeugend diskutieren
B2/C1	Erfolgreich bewerben und durchstarten – Deutsch für Karriere und Job
B2/C1	Fit für Studium und Forschung – Kommunikation im akademischen Kontext

Special Topic Courses Online (Asynchronous)

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B2/C1 Deutschland zwischen gestern und heute

-> This tutored course takes place on our **eCampus** learning platform and includes three live sessions via **Zoom**.