



LANGUAGE. CULTURE. GERMANY.

Welcome to the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka!



**GOETHE
INSTITUT**

DAS GOETHE-INSTITUT SRI LANKA: AN DIESEM ORT ÖFFNET SICH EINE NEUE WELT.

**The Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka:
Where a whole new world opens up.**



Sharing a common language paves the way to an intercultural exchange with no barriers. This is the starting point for the Goethe-Institut. As an official cultural institution of the Federal Republic of Germany, we are much more than a language school. With our wide-ranging cultural programs and access to our libraries, we bring the German language, culture and society to life everywhere in the world.

Languages open up horizons - no matter when or where. Since it opened in 1962 the Goethe-Institut in Colombo has broadened the professional and personal horizons of 200,000 people who have attended its German courses. But stepping inside the Goethe-Institut means an encounter with more than just the German language - it's an encounter with Germany. Welcome to the Goethe-Institut Colombo!





**MAN KANN DEUTSCHLAND
BESCHREIBEN. ODER ES
AM BESTEN GLEICH SELBST
ERLEBEN.**

You can describe Germany. Or even better, come and experience it for yourself.



At the Goethe-Institut, learning German is not only about grammar rules and vocabulary. It also means exploring German literature, music, film and current affairs as well as getting to know German cuisine. And where else but at the Goethe-Institut can you hope to bump into such luminaries from the world of the arts and letters as the filmmaker Fatih Akin or the philosopher Axel Honneth?



Our basis for working with others is a dialog between partners. Within our network and with our cooperative partners we have been developing innovative programs and concepts for teaching and presenting language and culture for more than six decades, and are firmly committed to quality. With passion – and a consistent track record.

A photograph of four people sitting on a red bench against a plain wall. From left to right: a man with glasses in a black jacket, a woman in a black hat and green top, a man in a blue and white striped polo shirt, and a man in a green shirt. They are all smiling and appear to be in conversation.

GENERAL LANGUAGE COURSES

For Participants (over age 16)

Are you interested in learning German language with professionals, on weekdays or weekends, morning or afternoons, online or face-to-face: the Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka offers you extensive, intensive and superintensive courses at all levels, taught by highly qualified teachers. Our courses use a communicative approach and emphasize intercultural understanding. The classes are taught in German, right from the very first lesson and reflect the latest development in modern methodology and didactics.

All classes will be offered in the following different formats:

- Physical
- Online - Live Classes via Zoom
- Online Group Classes without a tutor

SUPER INTENSIVE COURSES

- **Length of course: 8 weeks / 40 days**
- **Frequency: 5 times per week (Monday to Friday) or 4 times per week**
- **Participants : Minimum 10 to Maximum 21**

A1

- **Time: 9.00 am - 12.20 pm or 1.20 pm - 4.40 pm**
- **120 hours**

A2

B2.1

B2.2

C1.1

C1.2

C2.1

C2.2

- **Time: 9.00 am - 1.10 pm**
- **120 hours**

B1

- **Time: 9.00 am - 1.10 pm**
- **150 hours**



INTENSIVE COURSES

- Length of course: 16 weeks / 32 days
- Frequency: 2 times per week (Saturday and Sunday)
- Participants: minimum 10 to maximum 21

A1

A2

B2.1

B2.2

- Time: 8.15 am - 12.20 pm or 1.15 pm - 5.20 pm
- 120 hours

B1

- Time: 8.15 am - 2.05 pm
- 150 hours

EXTENSIVE COURSES

- Length of course: 16 weeks / 16 days
- Frequency: 1 time per week (Saturday or Sunday)
- Participants: minimum 10 to maximum 21

A1.1

A1.2

A2.1

A2.2

B1.1

B1.2

B1.3

B2.1

B2.2

B2.3

B2.4

- Time: 8.15 am - 12.20 pm or 1.15 pm - 5.20 pm
- 60 hours



EVENING CLASSES

- o Length of course: 27 weeks / 53 days

A1 **A2**

- o Time: Online: 6.30 pm – 8.45 pm Physical: 3.00pm - 5.15 pm
- o Frequency: 2 days per week (Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs)
- o 120 hours

Get more information at the Language Course Office.

YOUTH / CHILDREN COURES

For children (between 8 and 11) and young learners (age 12 – 16)

Specially for children and young learners, the Goethe-Institut offers the following courses:

- o Length of course: 40 weeks / 40 days (120 hours)
- o Frequency: once per week (weekday or weekend)
- o Time: 2.45 pm – 6.00 pm
- o **Starting in January, April, July, October**

Get more information at the Language Course Office.

SPECIALIZED COURSES

In our specialized courses, we can cater you courses for a special target group with technical vocabulary, such as for nurses or tour guides. We are happy to address the specific needs of our customers to create a tailor-made offer for you.

Get more information at the Language Course Office.

CUSTOM DESIGNED INDIVIDUAL COURSES

Learn intensively with a teacher to your special needs and time online or at the Goethe-Institut for 5,000 LKR per hour.

ONLINE GROUP CLASS WITHOUT A TUTOR

If you like to learn German with flexible times, your own pace and wherever you are, this is the correct course for you.

Get more information at the Language Course Office.

TestDaF Deutsch als Fremdsprache

www.testdaf.de

Exam Dates

16.05.2024

17.07.2024

15.10.2024

Please register online on the TestDaF Portal!

OUR LIBRARY

The library of the Goethe-Institut provides a wide range of books, periodicals, CDs and DVDs - in German as well as in English - covering German literature, films, geography, history, society, fine arts and philosophy. Language students find varied language and teaching material on German as a foreign language. Goethe-Institut language students are granted free membership of the library for the duration of their course. The annual membership fee for external members is 2000 LKR.

Guided Library Tours

At the beginning of each course we introduce students to the Goethe-Institut and to the services of our library, play games or quizzes, and familiarize students with the available learning and study materials.

Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. / 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

Friday 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Saturday 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

Email : library-colombo@goethe.de

Pre-Integration and transition Management

Pre-Integration and transition Management is a project funded by the European Union and is conducted by Goethe-Institut.

We specifically target people migrating to Germany and the services are provided free of charge.

The services are as follows:

- counseling services for immigrants, including those moving to Germany for marriage, family reunion or work purposes
- additional classes for levels A1, A2 and B1
- regular German related seminars on relevant topics such as Germany's culture, jobs etc.
- job opportunities for nurses, physicians, IT specialists, scientists and craftsmen will be discussed

NOTE: CONSULTATION BY APPOINTMENTS ONLY !

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Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst German Academic Exchange Service

Every year, thousands of international students and scholars choose to study in Germany because of the many benefits that are offered such as, international programmes taught in English medium, excellent quality of education, no tuition fees, promising career opportunities, social security and above all, the vibrant social and cultural milieu.

In Germany, every university is autonomous. This means that every university/study programme has its own set of criteria for admitting students. Therefore, please check the university website and following sources for more information.

International programs in Germany	: www.daad.de/idp
DAAD upcoming events	: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/event
Bachelors programs	: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/bachelor
Masters programs in Germany	: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/master
PhD programs in Germany	: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/phd

Funding opportunities by DAAD and other German organizations: www.daad-sri-lanka.org/scholarship

German Embassy Colombo/Visa matters: www.colombo.diplo.de/visa

DAAD - German Academic Exchange Service

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LANGUAGE SKILLS AT VARIOUS LEVELS

COURSE LEVELS	LANGUAGE CERTIFICATES	LANGUAGE SKILLS AT VARIOUS LEVELS
C2	Goethe-Zertifikat C2 Großes Deutsches Sprachdiplom	Can effortlessly understand practically everything which he/she reads or hears. Can summarize information from various written and spoken sources, logically recounting the reasons and explanations. Can express him/herself spontaneously with high fluency and precision and also make finer nuances of meaning clear in more complex topics.
C1	Goethe-Zertifikat C1	Can understand a wide range of challenging, longer texts and also grasp implicit meanings. Can express him/herself spontaneously and fluently without having to search for words frequently and noticeably. Can use the language effectively and flexibly in his/her social and professional life or in training and studies. Can make clear, structured and detailed statements on complex topics and apply various means of text association appropriately in the process.
B2	Goethe-Zertifikat B2	Can understand the main contents of complex texts on concrete and abstract topics; also understands specialized discussions in his/her own primary area of specialization. Can communicate so spontaneously and fluently that a normal conversation with native speakers is easily possible without a great deal of effort on either side. Can express him/herself on a wide range of topics in a clear and detailed manner.
B1	Goethe-Zertifikat B1	Can understand the main points when clear, standard language is used and the focus is on familiar topics associated with work, school, leisure time, etc. Can deal with most situations typically encountered when travelling in the language region. Can express him/herself simply and coherently regarding familiar topics and areas of personal interest. Can report on experiences and events, describe dreams, hopes and goals as well as make short statements to justify or explain his/her own views and plans.
A2	Goethe-Zertifikat A2	Can understand sentences and commonly used expressions associated with topics directly related to his/her direct circumstances. Can make him/herself understood in simple, routine situations dealing with a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and common topics. Can describe his/her background and education, immediate surroundings and other things associated with immediate needs in a simple way.
A1	Goethe-Zertifikat A1 Fit in A1 (under 16 years)	Can understand and use familiar, everyday expressions and very simple sentences, which relate to the satisfying of concrete needs. Can introduce him/herself and others as well as ask others about themselves – e.g. where they live, who they know and what they own – and can respond to questions of this nature. Can communicate in a simple manner if the person they are speaking to speaks slowly and clearly and is willing to help.

General terms and conditions for language courses at Goethe-Institut Sri Lanka

1. General Requirements

All courses are designed for adult learners. Participant must be at least 16 years of age. Document proving date of birth would have to be provided upon request.

2. Level Test

Students having prior knowledge of German and desiring to join a higher-level course with a gap of more than six months from their last Goethe Examination or Course have to take the level test prior to the registration. Placement in higher course levels is based on the result of the level test conducted.

3. Terms of Payment

The course fee shall be paid in cash or by bank transfer and the contractually binding fee is the fee stated in the price list and the website at the time of application. The cost of the course material, such as books/CDs and exam fees, is not included in the course fee unless otherwise stated. Part payments are not accepted. If full payment is not received by the due date, the applicant may lose the right to participate.

4. Course Fee

The contractually binding fee is the fee stated in the price list and the website at the time of application (price subject to change). The cost of the course material, such as books / CDs and exam fees, is not included in the course fee unless otherwise stated.

Cancellation and Refunds (Courses)

In case of cancellation prior to the commencement of the course, the course fee shall be refunded after deducting an administrative charge equivalent to 10% of the course fee.

No refund applications shall be made after the commencement of the course.

Cancellations must be submitted in writing via email.

Should the Goethe-Institut cancel a course, the full course fee shall be reimbursed.

In case you cannot continue the course during the timing you have chosen, we can move your seat to a different batch that is running parallel to yours for a fee of 3.000 LKR, provided there is an extra seat available in this other batch.

Change of batch fees of 3.000 LKR will be levied if a student wants to change from one batch to another within a term, informed via email (but not in a parallel timing).

5. Examination Fee

The contractually binding examination fee is the fee stated in the price list at the time of application (price subject to change).

Cancellations and Refunds - Examination

If a participant cannot take an exam due to illness, they may reschedule for the next immediate examination date under the following conditions:

1. Medical Certificate: A valid medical certificate must be emailed prior to the start of the originally scheduled examination.
2. Processing fee: a processing fee of 25% of the examination fee will be applied. For module-wise exams from B1 level and above, the full examination fee will be charged.

6. Course Participation Certificate

Participants with a minimum attendance of 70% and with a satisfactory performance in the class tests are entitled to a "Course Participation Certificate". However, for intermediate confirmation a fee of Rs.2,000 LKR will be charged.

7. Class Size

Our courses have a minimum of 12 and maximum of upto 24 participants. If enrolments are insufficient on the starting date, the Goethe-Institut reserves the right to cancel or postpone the course. In this case we will offer the participants the opportunity to move to another course or to receive a full refund of the course fee.

The choice of class and the chosen time slot are binding. Once the course has started, changes are allowed only in exceptional cases for a fee of 3.000 LKR and the Goethe-Institut reserves the right to make the exception based on the availability of seats or otherwise.

After commencement of class, a digital library card is issued at the library to the student entitling him / her to a free membership for the duration of the course.

8. Liability of the Goethe-Institut

The liability of the Goethe-Institut and its staff shall be limited to intent and gross negligence. The Goethe-Institut will have no liability for cancellation of its services due to force majeure (e.g. unrest, act of war or terrorism, natural calamities, epidemics, pandemics and all other circumstances beyond the control of the contractual parties).

Should such cases of extraordinary circumstances or events occur or should there be a change in the existing circumstances or events, caused by factors that are beyond the sphere of influence of the Goethe-Institut, the Institute shall reserve the right to make changes in the ongoing course structure (e.g. in terms of time, methodology or format). Should the circumstances not allow the above-mentioned changes, in that case the Goethe-Institut shall cancel the course without any alternative offer and financial compensation.

The Goethe-Institut especially reserves the right to move language courses from offline to online based on current government directives in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic. This right is also applied if a participant tests positive during the course period.

9. Complaint Management

Complaints, if any, should be first discussed with your teacher. Should a satisfactory solution not be reached in the discussion with the teacher, then the complaint should be addressed in writing to Head - Language Department and Deputy Director at: Rakitha.Karunaratne@goethe.de

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DIRECTIONS

Getting there by public transportation

From Bambalapitiya - Bus 154
Stop - Bauddhaloka Mawatha/
Wijerama Mawatha

From Kollupitiya - BUS 177
Stop - Horton place / Wijerama Mawatha

From Fort - Bus 120, 122, 125 and 138
Stop - St.Bridget / Cinnamon Garden

OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday:
09.00 a.m. - 03.00 p.m.

Opening Days on Saturdays:
28.09, 19.10, 09.11

Opening Time on Saturdays :
08.15 a.m. - 03.00 p.m.

Opening Days on Sundays:
29.09, 20.10, 10.11

Opening Time on Sundays :
08.15 a.m. - 03.00 p.m

Closing Dates:
23.12 - 01 -01 - 2025

Closed on Poya Days and all Mercantile Holidays.

