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Language course/short course



T-IES Winter School 2025 on Culture and Diversity

University of Tübingen • Tübingen



Overview

Course location	Tübingen
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• German• English
Language level of course	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• German: A1, A2• English: B1, B2, C1, C2
Date(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7 January - 4 February 2025
Information on dates, prices and mode of study	<p>The programme fee includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accommodation in Tübingen• All courses and workshops• Course materials• Excursions• Welcome package• Welcome reception and farewell evening• Cultural and social activities• A public transport ticket for use within Germany <p>For students who are enrolled at a partner university of the University of Tübingen, the programme fee will be 1,800 EUR.</p> <p>Registration is possible all year long upon availability of places.</p>
Target group	<p>The courses are designed for undergraduate students from all academic disciplines with a strong general interest in cultures, Europe and Germany in particular. A good command of English and the willingness to actively participate during course activities are required.</p>

Description/content

Students can choose between two study tracks.

A) Europe, Diversity, and the Question of Identity

The past years have seen the EU facing a lot of criticism from various sides and a plethora of challenges threaten the community - internally and externally - and what held its societies together for a long time. In this programme, students examine the fundamental notions at the heart of what Europe stands for: pluralism, democracy, subsidiarity, and the rule of law. Furthermore, courses

cover the current challenges Europe and the EU face today: the rise of nationalism; political fragmentation and radicalisation; migration, religion and questions of identity and war.

B) Representing the European Past in Cross-Cultural Communities

This programme delves into the political processes entailed in remembering and forgetting, introduces students to the commemorative landscape of the EU and explores possible solutions to the challenges facing European collective memory or what could be called Europe's culture of remembrance. Sessions will deal with what makes us remember some things while other facets of our lives and historical events are suppressed or hard to recollect. How does what we remember (and what we [choose to] forget) structure the reality that we live in – symbolically, physically, and politically? How is the past used (or abused) to serve the present needs of individuals and collectives in Europe today, where different concepts of identity often clash with the reality of cosmopolitan communities that are both ethnically and culturally diverse?

Both tracks

In addition to the academic programme, we offer all participants German language classes (for beginners [A1] and students who already possess some German skills [A1-A2]), an intercultural workshop that prepares participants for the very diverse setting in which all classes take place, a buddy programme that matches each participant with local students who offer support throughout the duration of the programme (and beforehand), and a rich and varied social programme that offers many opportunities to experience arts, culture, and local student life in one of Germany's most historical university towns.

Course details

Recognised language exams offered (e.g. DSH, TestDaF, TOEFL)	No
Other degrees / qualifications awarded	Certificate of participation
ECTS points (max.)	8
Average number of hours per week	40
Average number of participants per group/course	24

Costs / Funding

Dates and costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">7 January - 4 February 2025, costs: EUR 1,950
This price includes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Course feesAccommodationAccompanying programme
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Requirements / Registration

Teaching language

- German
- English

Language level of course

- German: A1, A2
- English: B1, B2, C1, C2

Language requirements

Participants must have a good command of English to be able to follow the academic courses and participate in discussions.

Participants do not have to have any prior knowledge of German.

For participants with a higher German language level (**B1 to C1**), we will offer the possibility of independently carrying out project work (or similar) in German.

Submit application to

<https://uni-tuebingen.de/de/81805>

Services

Is accommodation organised?

Accommodation is arranged by the organiser.

Type of accommodation

Accommodation will be arranged by the T-IES programme and is covered by the programme fee. Tübingen is a university town with a large number of students, and the availability of rooms in student dormitories is very limited.

Depending on availability, students will either be accommodated in an apartment, with a host family, in a student shared flat, or in a student dorm. They will either have their own room or share it with one other programme participant. Kitchens and bathrooms will be used jointly.

Meals

Participants will receive a "Mensa card" for use in every university canteen and cafeteria.

Prices in the student dining hall vary from 3.10 EUR to 5 EUR per meal.

Is a social and leisure programme offered? Yes

Description of social and leisure programme

- Orientation days: introduction to the programme, intercultural workshop, get to know each other, social activities
- Welcome and farewell receptions
- Intercultural evening
- Optional trips to the surrounding area
- Buddy programme: a student from the University of Tübingen teams up with an international participant, and they can spend their free time together.

Free internet access Yes

Support in visa matters No

Pick-up service from train station/airport Yes



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Coming from Hong Kong, I have learnt more about our world through a European lens. I have had a fruitful journey in the T-IES programme, from exploring European politics and economics to getting to know excellent German culture. The snow, bicycles, joyful study trips and intellectual conversations with my peers and buddies will always be missed. I would recommend anyone who has a keen interest in Europe, especially Germany, to start seeing the world here in Tübingen!



Alumni Voice T-IES Winter School 2024

The T-IES Winter School 2024 took place from 8 January until 2 February. Listen to our alumna Joy and find out what she liked about the programme and her stay in Tübingen. Join one of our programmes to experience this for yourself!

» more:
<https://youtu.be/o6YE6BSikiY?feature=shared>

University of Tübingen



Main lecture hall at the University of Tübingen

Innovative. Interdisciplinary. International. Since 1477.

These have been the University of Tübingen's guiding principles in research and teaching ever since it was founded. With this long tradition, the University of Tübingen is one of the most respected universities in Germany. Recently, its institutional strategy was once again successfully selected for funding in the Excellence Initiative sponsored by the German federal and state governments, making Tübingen one of Germany's eleven universities distinguished with that title of excellence. Tübingen has also proven its status as a leading research university in many national and international competitions. In key rankings, Tübingen is listed among the best universities for the Humanities and Social Sciences as well as for Science and Medicine.

With its broad spectrum of subjects, the University of Tübingen provides a wealth of opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration. And such cooperation extends beyond the university and around the world. The University of Tübingen has joint research projects at all levels with other institutions of higher education, with research institutes, and with industry.

The university's excellence in research offers students optimal study conditions, online or in person, combined with the opportunity to emphasise individual interests along the way. The attractive study environment is reinforced by many additional services, such as the language centre, interdisciplinary lectures in the "Studium Generale", and the state-of-the-art university library.

The university motto speaks for itself: "attempto – I dare!"



University location

Young, colourful, and delightfully picturesque

Tübingen is a very lively university town with 85,000 inhabitants, 29,000 of them students. The picturesque town centre features charming narrow streets and small houses from the Middle Ages. Its historic charm and attractive position on the Neckar River offer a high quality of life whether you are studying, working, or taking a break. Being so close to nature and surrounded by forests and hills makes Tübingen very special.

Located in the heart of Europe

Located in Baden-Württemberg, a southern German region with strong European traditions, Tübingen is equally close to both Strasbourg (France), the seat of the European Parliament, and Frankfurt, the seat of the European Central Bank. The nearby Stuttgart airport serves most international destinations, putting Tübingen just a few hours away from European cities like Paris, London, or Prague.

Close to Stuttgart – a high-tech region

Stuttgart, the capital of Baden-Württemberg, can be reached in only 30 minutes by train. With over five million inhabitants, the Stuttgart metropolitan region is one of the biggest in Germany. Stuttgart lies in a valley, and it only takes an hour to reach the Black Forest. Home to companies such as Bosch, Daimler, and Porsche, it has been a centre of technological innovation for over a century. Stuttgart has very

good train connections, putting it just a few hours away from Munich, Berlin, and Hamburg.

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