SPRACHENZENTRUM
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Every semester the Language Centre (Sprachenzentrum) of the University of Bayreuth offers courses in over 20 languages. Below you will find information about …

1) **Which language courses can I take?**
2) **Do I need to take a placement test?**
3) **When, where and how do I register for the placement test?**
4) **When, where and how do I register for a language course?**
5) **What do I need to bear in mind when attending a language course?**

Key dates and deadlines (further details below)

Registration for placement tests:	01.10.25 - 13.10.25
Placement tests:	09.10. + 13.10 + 14.10 + 15.10.25
Registration for language courses:	08.10.25 – 26.10.25
	(staggered, see below)
Classes start on:	The week beginning 20.10.25

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1) Which languages can I take?

- The following languages are offered at the Language Centre. For further information, just click on the links below:
- Germanic languages: Dutch (A1-A2), German (A1-C1), English (B2-C2), Norwegian (A1-A2), Swedish (A1-B2), German sign language
- Romance languages: French (A1-C1), Italian (A1-C1), Portuguese (A1-B2), Spanish (A1-C1)
- Slavic languages: Polish (A1), Russian (A1-B2), Ukrainian (A1)
- African languages: Bambara, Swahili, Wolof
- Asian and other languages: Arabic (A1), Chinese (A1-B2), Japanese (A1-A2), Korean (A1-A2), Turkish (A1-A2)
- Classical languages: Ancient Greek, Latin

2) Do I need to take a placement test before signing up for a course?

	Placement Test?	Course
If you are an absolute beginner …	**NO**	⇨ Register directly for the first (basic) course offered in the language of your choice (Grundkurs 1)
If you have already completed a course in the language in question at the Language Centre …	**NO**	⇨ Register directly for the next course in the programme
If you already have some knowledge of a language and have a recognised certificate* (no older than 2 years) confirming this …	**NO**	⇨ Upload your language certificate here https://forms.uni-bayreuth.de/formcycle/form/provide/6753//Zertifikate Please do so as soon as possible so that your paperwork can be processed in time for you to register for the course of your choice.

You already have some knowledge of a language, but do not have a recognised certificate confirming this …	**YES** … **BUT** check the exceptions in the case of English courses: FAQ (1a) here Placement test (uni-bayreuth.de)	⇨ Register for a placement test (Einstufungstest). After you complete the test your result will be processed and you will then be able to register for the course which is appropriate for you when course registration opens.

* We recognise the following language certificates (provided they are no older than 2 years)

- **English**: German Abitur, Cambridge, IB, IELTS, TOEFL, UNIcert (other certificates are also recognized – just upload)
- **German**: TestDaF, Goethe-Institut, IIK Bayreuth (A1 only), TELC, DSH
- **French**: DELF, UNIcert, German Abitur
- **Italian**: UNIcert, CELI, CILS
- **Spanish**: DELE, UNIcert, SIELE
- **Chinese**: HSK Level 3 and higher, UNIcert
- **Portuguese**: CAPLE, CELPE-BRAS, UNIcert
- **Russian**: Russian as a Foreign Language (ТРКИ)
- **All other languages**: Please send your enquiry to: sprachenzentrum@uni-bayreuth.de

3) When, where and how do I register for the placement test?

When?

Registration for the placement tests: You can register for a placement test(s) from 01.10.2025 until 13.10.25 (23:59).
Placement tests take place on the following days:
English, French, German, Italian, **Spanish**: 09.10., 13.10., 14.10. + 15.10.25
All other languages: 13.10 - 15.10. (limited number of slots depending on the language)
You will receive information about exact times and venues when you sign up.

Where?

Online via CMlife https://my.uni-bayreuth.de/cmlife/

How?

Enter the following numbers in the search (*Suchen*) field and then select a slot. You take a test in more than one language but you cannot book two slots on the same day.

SPT01: English	**SAAE0**: Arabic	**SPLE0**: Polish
SPT01: German	**SCHE0**: Chinese	**SPOE0**: Portuguese
SPT01: French	**SJAE0**: Japanese	**SRE00**: Russian
SPT01: Italian	**SKOE0**: Korean	**SSWE0**: Swedish
SPT01: Spanish	**SLAE0**: Latin	**STRE0**: Turkish

You will find full details about the placement tests on our homepage Placement test (uni-bayreuth.de)

4) When, where and how do I register for the courses?

When? Course enrolment is staggered:

Registration for **Business English 1 + 2 ONLY**	**opens 8.10.25 at 08.00**	
Registration for **English** language courses in Anglophone Studies/Teacher Training (**Anglistik**) programme ONLY	**opens 8.10.25 at 10.00**	
Registration for **Legal English** courses	opens 16.10.25 at 08.00	**Registration closes at midnight on 26.10.25**
Registration for all other English courses	opens 16.10.25 at 09.00	
Registration for **French + Italian**	opens 16.10.25 at 11.00	
Registration for **Russian**	opens 16.10.25 at 12.00	
Registration for **German as a Foreign Language (Deutsch als Fremdsprache)**	opens 16.10.25 at 13.00	
Registration for **all other languages** except Spanish	opens 16.10.25 at 14.00	
Registration **Spanish**	opens 16.10.25 at 15.00	
De-registration (via CMlife) is possible until midnight on 26.10.25 **All language courses start in the 2nd week of the semester, i.e. the week beginning 20.10.25**		

Where?
Online via CMlife https://my.uni-bayreuth.de/cmlife/

How?
Enter the language, course title or course number (cf. #1. above) in the search field. When you have found the course you wish to attend and just click on the TEILNEHMEN button.

5) What do I need to bear in mind when I sign up for a course at the Language Centre?

- **When courses start**   All courses offered by the Language Centre start in the second week of the semester, i.e. in the week beginning 20 October.

- **Class times and venues**   You will see this when you register on CMlife.

- **Attendance regulations**   Almost all language courses offered by the Language Centre are taught in-person on campus. Regular attendance is mandatory, but a limited number of absences is permitted Attendance regulations for language courses (uni-bayreuth.de)

- **De-registration**   You can de-register from a course you no longer wish to attend up until 26.10.24 but please note that de-registration is no longer possible after this date.