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VIENNA ACADEMY - VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Vienna, the capital of Austria and home to 2 million inhabitants, is situated on the banks of the Danube. The influx of visitors from all over the world has made Vienna the most popular urban tourist destination in Austria. The city's location, not far from the splendors of Budapest and Prague, has made it a hotline to Eastern Europe, as well as a major center of modern business and cultural life.

Since opening in 1988, Vienna Academy has already gained a worldwide reputation as a private school with a successful range of courses, an ideal learning environment and modern teaching equipment. ActiLingua teachers are native speakers of standard German, and they take genuine pleasure in working together with students. They are highly qualified, and their skills and knowledge are regularly upgraded at training courses held by ActiLingua.

ActiLingua is an examination centre for the österreichisches Sprachdiplom OSD and for the European Language Certificates. The school is officially recognized by the Austrian government

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

VIENNA ACADEMY language program is based on total immersion. Students speak German from the first lesson. To ensure maximum spoken communication, the classroom activities include intensive coaching in grammar, sentence structure, and vocabulary, reading, listening, and writing. ActiLingua offers seven levels, starting at beginner and progressing to advanced.

Standard Course 25 hours per week-20 Group German max 12 students/class + 5 cultural program. The main emphasis is placed on improving communication skills through grammar and conversation, help with syntax and vocabulary building. Practice letter writing, and work on listening and reading comprehension.

Intensive Course 35 hours per week-20 Group German max 12 students/class + 10 mini-group max 8 students/class + 5 cultural program. Students study four lessons general German and are involved an additional two lessons a day in small groups whereby the teacher can specifically focus on individual needs.

Super-Intensive Course 35 hours per week: 20 hours Group German max 12 students/class + 10 hours private Tutor + 5 culture program. Combination of group tuition and individual tuition. Individual tuition caters for special learning needs.

Teacher Course 2 Weeks, 25 hours per week: 20 Group classroom work + 5 culture program. ActiLingua's special training courses for nonnative teachers of German includes 20 hours per week of Group instruction. The course is designed to update language skills and various teaching methods.

For more information on this program, please see the NRCSA website, or contact NRCSA.

Teen Summer Program Summer School Vienna Centre: 12-14 years & 15-18 years. The prestigious school, founded by Empress Maria Theresia, provides optimum learning and recreation facilities for the ActiLingua junior program. Lessons are in small groups with a maximum 15 students. Practice in grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation and oral comprehension in systematically structured lessons. An exciting leisure program on the school premises and city of Vienna. Students are accommodated in 2 to 6 bed rooms in the school residence directly on the campus. There are 3 meals per day at the school refectory.

For more information on this program, please see the NRCSA website, or contact NRCSA.

German Standard or Intensive & Internship Program

ActiLingua offers German language courses in combination with internship. The program consists of the German language preparation course in Vienna and work experience in a carefully selected Austrian company for one month to one year.

For more information on this program, please see the NRCSA website, or contact NRCSA.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Homestay Accommodation in host families is definitely the best way of practicing German. A single room, shared bathroom and kitchen and a substantial breakfast daily are included. Bed linen is provided and cleaned every two weeks.

Student Residence, Student Apartments and Hotels are available.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

ActiLingua's packed programs of afternoon and evening cultural and leisure activities present a many-sided view of Vienna and Austrian culture. And the best of it is that everything is included in the price. Every ActiLingua's German course features five lessons cultural program a week.

TO REGISTER:

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Programs & Admission - Vienna, Austria

General Course Information

Program Fundamentals The language program is based on total immersion. Students speak German from the first lesson. Teachers are well-trained, native speakers of standard German.

To ensure maximum spoken communication, the classroom activities include intensive coaching in grammar, sentence structure, and vocabulary. Reading, listening, and writing form the basis for courses.

To enable the school to tailor their teaching to each student's language level, an assessment test is given to each student before course commencement. The written assessment test takes approximately 60 minutes to complete and covers grammar, reading comprehension and writing skills.



Methodology

Apart from authentic teaching materials prepared by the teachers, textbooks by the following publishers are used: Hueber, Verlag für Deutsch and Langenscheidt. The courses follow accepted curricula, from beginners to advanced. Modern teaching materials and equipment are used, such as cd and video recorders, together with a large collection of cds and video tapes for language teaching purposes, on topics including the arts, Austria, literature and business. Use of the multimedia library is a good way of adding to and reinforcing the skills acquired in class work.

DAY AT A GLANCE

A breakdown of the daily activities for group and intensive courses.

LEVELS

The school offers seven course levels, each with a 4-8 week syllabus. Levels start at absolute beginner and progress to advanced.

Beyond The Classroom Course books are supplemented by various authentic teaching materials, such as: newspaper and magazine articles, audio-visual materials, and activities inside and outside the classroom. Students are encouraged to practice spoken German in real-life situations, with the teacher, and with other participants, in pairs and groups.

Admissions Students age 16 years and older are welcomed regardless of educational background, occupation or nationality. Students enrolled in the Summer Teen Program must be between the ages of 12 and 18. No previous knowledge of German is required except where otherwise indicated.

Program Information

Group Courses

Students are placed in small group classes, averaging 6 students, with a maximum of 12, allowing for individual attention and interaction. Each lesson is 45 minutes in duration.

Standard Course

25 hours per week-20 Group German maximum 12 students/class + 5 cultural program. The main emphasis is placed on improving communication skills. Lessons in grammar and conversation help with syntax and vocabulary building. Practice formal and informal letter writing, and work on listening and reading comprehension.



Intensive Course

35 hours per week-20 Group German maximum 12 students/class + 10 mini-group maximum 8 students/class + 5 cultural program. Students study four lessons general

Programs

Standard Course
Intensive Course
Super-Intensive Course
Teacher Course
Teens
Internships

Academic Credit

Comments

"I most enjoyed living with a host family. They were bright and interesting, with outstanding living accommodations and meals. The school itself was solid, intense, and extremely pleasant."

Photographer, Washington, DC.

I was happy with the work load. Class was only 3 hours a day and the homework and studying did not take up much time. That left me with lots of time to enjoy the city and experience Vienna.

Student, Orrville, Ohio

I enjoyed meeting and making friends with people from many different countries.

University Student, Houston, Texas

German (Standard Course) and are involved an additional two lessons a day in small groups whereby the teacher can specifically focus on individual needs and problem areas.

Super-Intensive Course

35 hours per week: 20 hours Group German maximum 12 students/class + 10 hours private Tutor + 5 culture program. Combination of group tuition (Standard Course) and individual tuition. Individual tuition caters for special learning needs and takes account of vocational interests.

Teacher Course

25 hours per week.

[More info for teachers](#)

Teens

Teen Summer School Program Summer School Vienna Centre, 12-15 years & 16-18 years.

[More info for teens](#)

Internships

German Language & Internship Program German language courses combined with internship

[View more information about this program](#)

Certificates & Exams

Overview

Students who regularly attend courses and pass the weekly tests will receive a certificate indicating the lessons covered and level of proficiency attained. The school gives certificates upon student request for the following levels:

- *Certificate*: "Österreichisches Sprachdiplom 1" - Successful completion of Elementary 2.
- *Certificate*: "Zertifikat Deutsch" - Successful completion of Elementary 3.
- *Certificate*: "Österreichisches Sprachdiplom – Mittelstufe" - Successful completion of Intermediate 1.
- *Certificate*: "Diplom Wirtschaftssprache Deutsch" (DWD) of the Austrian German Language Diploma OSD in cooperation with the Austrian Chamber of Commerce. - Successful completion of Advanced.

Academic Credit

For more information about academic credit in German speaking countries, [please click here](#).
For general information on academic credit, [please click here](#).

ALL NRCSA PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Foreign language immersion classes
- ✓ Small interactive group and/or one-on-one instruction
- ✓ Culture program integrated into conversation classes, activities
- ✓ Meet-the-People interaction at school, homestays, & community events
- ✓ Orientation covering attractions, how to, health, safety, entertainment
- ✓ Academic assessments, placement-exit tests, Achievement Certificate
- ✓ Lodging (reduced fee if no lodging needed)
- ✓ Meals and/or cooking facilities at most centres
- ✓ Insurance: medical and accident - see below
- ✓ Emergency Hotline staffed 24 hours/day - see below
- ✓ Housing Coordinator familiar with area homestays, apartments, hotels
- ✓ Activity Coordinator facilitates transfers, cultural/social activities, tours
- ✓ Program Director experienced working with foreign participants
- ✓ Qualified, experienced, and certified educators
- ✓ Weekly proficiency goals and progress assessments
- ✓ Planning and Orientation materials
- ✓ International Ambiance, participants from around-the-world welcome
- ✓ Telecom assistance, web/e-mail access, usually on-site
- ✓ Local taxes for included services
- ✓ 24:7 Culture Immersion w/ native speakers: class, homestay, community
- ✓ **ALL NRCSA PROGRAMS INCLUDE the following INSURANCE***

ACCIDENT INSURANCE up to \$10,000 SICKNESS INSURANCE up to \$10,000

EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION up to \$25,000

EMERGENCY REUNION up to \$5,000

REPATRIATION up to \$7,500

LIFE INSURANCE \$5,000

plus

24 HOUR EMERGENCY WORLDWIDE MULTI-LINGUAL TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE

MANY ALSO OFFER

- ✓ **Tours:** cultural visits, day and weekend fieldtrips
- ✓ **Art:** classes/workshops, craft, dance, theater, fashion, music, photo
- ✓ **Humanities:** culture, area studies, hist, lit, gov't, educ, comm, plus...
- ✓ **Health:** golf, swimming, tennis, diving, skiing, riding, plus...
- ✓ **Special:** vocabulary classes tailored to your professional needs
- ✓ **Lodging:** homestay, apartment, dorm, hotel, special diet
- ✓ **Food:** home cooking, cooking classes, dine-around, wine tasting
- ✓ **Family:** services, daycare, child classes, community services
- ✓ **Teacher:** training, workshops, practicums, practice teaching, ECH
- ✓ **Teen:** camps and youth programs (including experiential)
- ✓ **University:** credit, undergraduate and graduate
- ✓ **Professional:** development credit in many fields, licensure, CEU
- ✓ **Volunteer:** medical, social service, ecology, teach plus...
- ✓ **Internships:** business, media, arts, eco, tourism, computer, plus...
- ✓ **Business:** classes, visits, networking, executive support services
- ✓ **Peer-to-Peer:** share interests, network by profession or hobby
- ✓ **Current Events & Professional Workshops, Holiday Courses**
- ✓ **Distance** educ liaison service, independent studies, research assist
- ✓ **Free** books and course materials. Return at end of studies
- ✓ **Free** airport transfers and internet access
- ✓ **Assessment** reports for attendance, progress, acculturation if needed
- ✓ **Medical:** professional training, law, social work, sciences etc.

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