
ERFAHRUNGSBERICHT SOMMERSPRACHKURSE IN BAYERN 2021

Heimatland:	Ukraine
Studiengang:	Economics
Sprachkurs in Bayern:	von 12. Juli bis 6. August 2021
Kursort in Bayern:	Eichstätt
Sprachkursniveau des besuchten Kurses:	B1

In this report, I would like to share my experience of studying in the best language courses I have ever had. I have been learning German for few years in the school but after graduation, I have not visited any lessons or courses. Therefore, when I found out about the BAYHOST Scholarship program I considered it a perfect opportunity to refresh and improve my language skills. The application process was comprehensible and not complicated. Documents should be sent by post, so I recommend applicants to check the information about the time frame of delivery as quickly as possible.

At the beginning of May, I received a letter with congratulations on my BAYHOST scholarship and information that I have been selected to participate in the KU Virtual Summer School 2021. I was surprised and excited at the same time. After I received e-mails from the Catholic University of Eichstaett-Ingolstadt with information about the next steps in the application. It consist of creating KU post, personal account and two language tests. I am grateful to BAYHOST and KU institutions' organizers for providing information clearly and answering all questions. I felt the warm and friendly attitude through e-mails I received.

After I passed two online language tests for accurate allocation in learning groups, I joined a learning group with level B1. Besides working with textbooks and workbooks, our professors involved us in other activities using different teaching methods. I enjoyed project tasks and discussing topics in small groups during our classes. It helped me to boost my spoken German, so now I feel much confident to speak in German. These four weeks were extremely productive despite our lessons were in Zoom. The course had sensible structure and included such activities as speaking, reading, listening to audio and watching short videos, working in groups, preparing projects on your own. Once a week we had pronunciations lessons that were engaging and full of practical tips. These lessons helped me a lot in understanding correct pronouncing. I want to emphasize that professors asked students about language goals and created assignments, which helped everyone to develop particular skills. I am grateful to our professors for answering all questions and giving effective tips that make studying the German language easier.

The only disadvantage of the digital format is that I could not meet all people in person and had less time for improving communication skills. I got to know new people and made friends with most of them.

Hence, I sincerely want to recommend applying for an online summer language course. Those courses are intensive and help to improve speaking skills, understanding of grammar, enlarge vocabulary. Until this course, I did not like learning languages in a group, but now I know that it can be fascinating and efficient. I am genuinely grateful to BAYHOST for an opportunity to be one of these lucky students!