

REPORT ON SUMMER COURSE IN BAVARIA 2024

County of origin:	Serbia
Home university:	University of Belgrade
Course in Bavaria:	from 03.08.2024 until 30.08.2024
Place of the course:	München
Course level:	B1

I'm delighted to share my experiences from the summer course in Munich. If you're reading this, one thing is certain: you should have no doubts about applying for the BAYHOST scholarship. Start writing your application immediately and trust me, you won't regret it for a single moment. This is an incredible experience that you will cherish for a lifetime.

Application Insights

I learned about the BAYHOST scholarship thanks to my wonderful high school teacher, who sent an email to all former students about this phenomenal opportunity. Communication with the BAYHOST team was excellent; they are absolute professionals. They have answers to all questions and provide clear and precise instructions. Regarding the scholarship application, I believe it's crucial to focus on your motivation letter and CV. Don't be discouraged by the time it takes; writing a good application isn't that hard, especially when you know the experience you'll gain in return is invaluable.

Public Transportation and Travel

Public transportation in Munich is excellent. All parts of the city are well connected, and getting to any destination is quick. The German travel card (Deutschland-Ticket) is something you absolutely must have, as it is worthwhile in every possible way. It gives you access to all public transportation for an entire month for just 49 euros. This is incredible, especially considering you can also travel to other cities on comfortable and fast trains with this one card.

Accommodation and Meals

Accommodation was good and had everything a student needs. My only advice is to make sure you're well-informed about internet access; bring a router or LAN cable and a laptop adapter if needed. The meals in the cafeteria were good and varied, but it only operates for lunch, so you'll need to plan for other meals and weekends. There are various restaurants a bit farther from the center with affordable prices and diverse offerings. The scholarship was sufficient to cover basic needs, but you should bring extra money, as Munich is generally an expensive city.



Library at Odeonsplatz

The German Language Course

As for the German language course, I particularly enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere. The teacher prepared diverse materials and consistently tried to understand the needs of each student, adjusting the lessons accordingly. She provided appropriate exercises to strengthen our knowledge, which resulted in significant improvements in our German skills. I'm also grateful to the people in my group, as everyone was friendly, welcoming, and eager to learn, which had a positive impact on me. My only regret is that I didn't try to move to a higher-level course, as I believe I would have adapted quickly and learned more. My original level was quite relaxed and easy, with a slower pace that suited me, but in retrospect, I think I would have progressed more had I switched to a higher level. Therefore, I advise future participants to feel free to transfer to a different group in the first week if the course is too intensive or too slow. The organizers are wonderful and have accommodated everyone who expressed a similar desire.



Leopoldstraße



Salzburg

Cultural Experiences and Excursions

The people I met on this course were truly amazing, and I'll make an effort to stay in touch with them. I think this is a great opportunity not only to learn about German culture but also to explore the culture and traditions of other countries. I learned many interesting things about other countries by talking with various course participants.

The entire program was excellently organized and well thought out. Besides the German lessons, we had group trips to Neuschwanstein Castle and the Dachau concentration camp. Every weekend was free, and I used them to visit nearby cities or museums in Munich with my course friends.

Museums I recommend include Deutsches Museum, Alte Pinakothek, Pinakothek der Moderne, BMW Museum, Allianz arena and the Beer and Oktoberfest Museum. My absolute favorite is the Deutsches Museum, as I am a big fan of science and technology. The museum is very large, and I visited it twice to explore it thoroughly. Traveling to other cities was fantastic and very easy, as travel expenses were covered by the Deutschland-Ticket (€49). I visited Salzburg, Memmingen, Lucerne, and Zurich, and I will cherish the memories of these places forever.



*Beer and Oktoberfest
Museum*



Allianz arena

Final Recommendation

I highly recommend this course, as it offers a unique experience that is rare elsewhere. It's an opportunity to enhance your skills, broaden your horizons, and create lasting memories. The BAYHOST scholarship provides an incredible opportunity, so don't miss out on it.



Neuschwanstein Castle



Luzern



*An incredible sunset
in the Olympic Park*



Nymphenburg Palace
(my favourite place)



Memmingen