Studienbegleitende Deutschkurse
Placement and course level

An obligatory language assessment or placement is necessary to determine your eligibility for the various levels of the program („Studienbegleitende Deutschkurse"). Once your language level has been determined you will obtain the necessary approval for the registration code which will allow you to register only for those courses which correspond to your level. Beginners are automatically assigned to Level A1 or A1.1.

There are three options to determine language level and placement:

1. Establishing language level via placement test
2. Establishing language level by submission of a recognized language certificate
3. Establishing language level by successful completion of German courses at the Center for DaF, University of Regensburg

1. Establishing language level via placement test

We typically use the "onSET-Deutsch", a standardized online test, which measures general language skills in German as a foreign language. Specifically, it assesses all four language skills (reading, listening, speaking and writing). Placement and admission to the various levels of the program (Studienbegleitendes Programm) are subject to the following conditions:

Placement	Requirement
A1	onSET-Deutsch placement with less than 15 points
A2	onSET-Deutsch placement with at least 15 points
B1	onSET-Deutsch placement with at least 30 points
B1+	onSET-Deutsch placement with at least 50 points
B2	onSET-Deutsch placement with at least 75 points
C1 (UNIcert® III)	onSET-Deutsch placement with at least 95 points
C2 (UNIcert® IV)	onSET-Deutsch placement with at least 125 points

Admission to partial levels (e.g. A1.2, B1.1, B2.2, etc.) will be decided after completion of the test. You can take the onSET-Deutsch test at the testing center at the University of Regensburg or at an accredited testing center (TAS) anywhere in the world. If you complete the onSET-Deutsch test in a location other than the University of Regensburg, you must send us the test result – in the form of the onSET-Deutsch certificate – before the beginning of the course. Please note that the onSET-Deutsch certificate may not be dated more than 6 months before the beginning of the course.
If you would like to complete the onSET-Deutsch test at our site in Regensburg, please book a time slot in advance via our onset-Deutsch registration form. If you need a test date outside of the specified dates, please contact the staff of our testing center. Before you make an appointment, please read the instructions section for the onSET-Deutsch, where you will also find all offered dates. For exchange students there are set placement dates in the framework of the orientation and intensive language courses. A separate registration for the placement test is not necessary. Participating in one of the set placement tests allows you to complete the onSET-Deutsch test at no

charge. In general, the placement test can be repeated. However, changing to a different level course is only possible during the first two weeks after the start of each course.

2. Establishing language level by providing a recognized certificate

As an alternative to the placement test you may provide proof of your previous knowledge before the start of the course and thus be admitted to the appropriate level course. It is absolutely necessary that you provide this proof at the time of the assessment and before the start of the course.

The following certificates are generally recognized as proof:

Access to A2 courses:

- Goethe-Zertifikat A1
- telc Deutsch A1

Access to B1 courses:

- Goethe-Zertifikat Deutsch A2
- telc Deutsch A2
- UNIcert® Deutsch Basis
- DSD I – Niveaustufe A2 (A2 in allen Prüfungsteilen)
- Österreichisches Sprachdiplom (ÖSD) A2

Access to B2 courses:

- Goethe-Zertifikat B1*
- telc Deutsch B1*
- UNIcert® Deutsch Level I
- DSD I Level B1 (B1 in all parts)
- Österreichisches Sprachdiplom (ÖSD) B1*
- DSH-1 (at least 57%)
- TestDaF (at least 12 points)

    * access to B2 courses with very good and good test results, otherwise admission to level **B1+**

Access to C1 courses (UNIcert® III):

- Goethe-Zertifikat Deutsch B2
- telc Deutsch B2
- UNIcert® Deutsch Stufe II
- Östereichisches Sprachdiplom (ÖSD) B2
- DSH-1 (at least 62%) / DSH-2
- TestDaF (at least 14 points)

Access to C2 courses (UNIcert® IV):

- Goethe-Zertifikat Deutsch C1/C2
- telc Deutsch C1/C2
- DSD II - Niveaustufe C1 (C1 in all parts)
- UNIcert® Deutsch Level III
- Österreichisches Sprachdiplom (ÖSD) C1/C2
- DSH-2 (at least 75%) / DSH-3
- TestDaF (at least 18 points)

Recognition of proof beyond this list must be requested in writing (by e-mail to studienbegleitung.daf@ur.de) and by presenting proof before the start of the course.
Here you will find recognized certificates as well as conditions for placement tabular form:

Placement	Goethe	Telc	DSD I	ÖSD	UNIcert®	DSH	TestDaF
A1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A2.1	A1	A1	-	-	-	-	-
A2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B1.1	A2	A2	A2[1]	A2	Basis	-	-
B1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B1+	B1[2]	B1[2]		B1[2]	Stufe I[2]	-	-
B2.1	B1[3]	B1[3]	B1[1]	B1[3]	Stufe I[3]	-	-
B2.2	-	-	-	-	-	57%	12 Punkte
C1.1	B2	B2	B2[1]	B2	Stufe II	62%	14 Punkte
C1.2	-	-	-	-	-	67%	16 Punkte
C2	C1/C2	C1/C2	C1[1]	C1/C2	Stufe III	75%	18 Punkte

1) Confirmed level in all parts of the examination
2) Admission to level B1+ with satisfactory or adequate test results
3) Admission to level B2 with very good or good results.

3. Establishing language level by successfully completing German courses at the Center for German as a foreign language (DaF)

If you have completed DaF courses at the University of Regensburg in a past semester, you may continue to a higher level without another placement test, provided that the following conditions are met:
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Placement	Requirement (ECTS)	Compulsory courses
A1.1	-	-
A1.2	9 ECTS aus A1.1	Sprachkurs A1.1
A2.1	15 ECTS aus A1	Sprachkurs A1.2 + Sprechen oder Schreiben A1
A2.2	9 ECTS aus A2.1	Sprachkurs A2.1
B1.1	15 ECTS aus A2	Sprachkurs A2.2 + Sprechen oder Schreiben A2
B1.2	9 ECTS aus B1.1	Sprachkurs B1.1
B1+	15 ECTS aus B1[1]	Sprachkurs B1.2 + Sprechen oder Schreiben B1
B2.1	15 ECTS aus B1[2]	Sprachkurs B1.2 + Sprechen oder Schreiben B1
B2.2	9 ECTS aus B2.1	Sprachkurs B2.1
C1.1	15 ECTS aus B2	Sprachkurs B2.2 + Sprechen oder Schreiben B2
C1.2	9 ECTS aus C1.1	Sprachkurs C1.1
C2	15 ECTS aus C1	Sprachkurs C1.2 + Sprechen oder Schreiben C1

1) Average grade less than 2.3 (good), otherwise admission to B2.1
2) Average grade up to 2.3 (good), otherwise admission to B1+

If you meet the requirements for an upgrade, please refer to the course assistant (by e-mail to studienbegleitung.daf@ur.de) for the accompanying German courses to obtain the registration code required for registering.