

Dear Sir/Madam,



Welcome to Brandenburg. You have arrived here by various means and have applied for asylum with us. The process is not yet complete or you have already lived here under tolerance for a prolonged period. Even though, as the State of Brandenburg, we have no influence on the asylum procedure – for which the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (Bundesamt für Migration und Flüchtlinge, BAMF) is responsible -- we would like to make life here easier for you by helping you to learn German, enabling you to be better able to go about your day and gain easier access to the job market.

This programme will provide you with the opportunity to learn German in a certified course consisting of 6 modules of 100 hours each. Once you have completed all the modules, you are invited to take a test, allowing you the opportunity to acquire official certification which recognises that you have achieved level A2–B1 language proficiency. This certificate is required if you subsequently wish to acquire further qualifications. Once you have completed this language course, you may take the BAMF language course for work placements to additionally increase your chances on the job market.

You will be provided support from the European Union and the State of Brandenburg. Assistance is provided through the European Social Fund for complete support in social integration and improvement of access to the job market.

Language is the key to integration! In the first year of funding, more than 1,200 people took part in such a language programme. Learn more about the range of language courses available and make the most of this opportunity!

Diana Golze
Minister for Labour, Social Affairs, Health, Women and Families
for the State of Brandenburg

The programmes

What does the programme have to offer?

This programme provides assistance for foreign citizens to take language integration courses. You can learn German in a qualified programme and take part in an official language test which recognises Level A2–B1 proficiency.

Children, youths and young adults that are currently attending a school are not eligible for this programme.

Who is eligible to take part in the programme?

- Individuals with Aufenthaltsgestattung (temporary residence permit) under § 55 AsylVfG (Asylum Procedure Act)
- Individuals with residence tolerance under § 60a AufenthG (Residence Act)
- Individuals with a residence permit under § 23.1 and § 25.5 AufenthG related to benefits under the Asylum Seekers Act

Do you speak
German?

To what extent will German language skills be acquired?

The language course consists of up to 600 hours that are divided into 6 modules of 100 hours each. Prior to beginning a course, the course provider will offer a test to determine which module you should begin with. Once you have completed the course, you may acquire an official certificate permit that you have achieved level A2–B1 language proficiency by successfully passing a test.

What is funded?

- Travel expenses for the language course as a lump sum in the amount of 18 euros for persons residing within the urban municipalities and 39 euros for persons residing within the surrounding rural districts.
- An assessment test prior to the language course for determining the correct starter module in the course. A final language test for proficiency at level A2–B1.

The courses

Who conducts the courses?

The courses are offered by integration course providers certified by the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees located throughout the state of Brandenburg.

How long is the programme?

The programme begins on 1 September 2015 and concludes on 31 December 2019.

What do I need to do if I wish to take the language course?

If you meet the criteria outlined above, the staff at the community housing and advisory centres will help you find the closest contact in your area. To complete an application, bring your residency documents from the immigration authorities and the decision regarding benefits from the Asylum Seekers Act with you.

Do you speak
German?

I study
German.

I study
German.
How about
you?

Notes:

Childcare expense cannot be covered. Participating in the German language course is free.

Guidance

We would be happy to answer your questions

There are four regional coordination sites in Brandenburg that can advise you where to take the assessment test and provide you with information about where and when the next language course will be offered.

Coordination centre for the districts of Prignitz, Ostprignitz-Ruppin, Oberhavel, Havelland and Uckermark:

Akademie Seehof GmbH

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Coordination centre for the districts of Märkisch-Oderland, Oder-Spree and Barnim and the urban municipality of Frankfurt (Oder):

Fürstenwalder Aus- und Weiterbildungszentrum GmbH

Contact: Babro Kluge
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Coordination centre for the districts of Dahme-Spree, Elbe-Elster, Oberspreewald-Lausitz and Spree-Neisse and the urban municipality of Cottbus:

SBH Südost GmbH

Contact: Nadine Ewald
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Coordination centre for the districts of Potsdam-Mittelmark, Teltow-Fläming and the urban municipalities of Potsdam and Brandenburg an der Havel:

Euro-Schulen Berlin Brandenburg GmbH,

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