

Module title: German as a Foreign Language B1.2

Module summary

Module Code: **FSDB12 / FSB12D**

Module coordinator: **Language Trainers at the IFS**

Credits (ECTS): **4 Points**

Semester: **According to the study regulations of the department**

Pre-requisites with regard to content:

none

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Placement test or successful completion of an IFS-B1.1 level course

Competencies:

At the end of this career oriented B1.2 Level CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) course, course participants will be able to search longer texts for desired information and gather information from different texts or parts of the text to complete a specific task. They can understand simple technical information such as user manuals for everyday devices. Students can confidently discuss familiar routine issues as well as other matters within their own area of interest or profession. They can exchange, review and validate information, deal with less routine situations and explain why something is problematic. Furthermore, participants can understand lectures or speeches in their own area of expertise, if the topic is familiar and the presentation is uncomplicated. They can communicate information and thoughts on abstract as well as concrete topics, examine information and explain a problem with some precision or ask questions about it.

Assessment:

Exam with various exercises for writing, listening, reading (120 minutes), oral exam or oral grades in class (10 minutes), possibly portfolio or digital exam

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Lecturer: **IFS and Adjunct Instructors**

Contact hours: **4 SWS**

Semester of delivery: **each semester**

Type/mode: **Seminar with lab elements, mandatory attendance**

Language of instruction: **German**

Content:

Exercises for writing, reading, listening and speaking take place in equal parts and deal with language actions in the world of work, society and politics (e.g. conducting conversations about projects, understanding and talking about social engagement understanding information about EU or giving a short presentation). Topics such as banking and finance and the related language actions are practiced (e.g. understanding and leading discussions in a bank, understanding hints, recognizing and expressing opinions, discussing globalization). In addition, language courses are practices in the course, such as understanding forum comments, talking about city/country, understanding opinions about city rankings, understanding popular science short texts.

The course trains the vocabulary required for the speech actions in the same way as the required grammatical structures.

Recommended reading:

Textbook or script according to the recommendation of the lecturers.

Comments:

The course teaches the content through exercises in listening and reading comprehension, dialogue and writing training and through numerous interactive activities, communicative exercises, role-playing games, the analysis of videos with matching vocabulary and grammar tasks.