Module title: German as a Foreign Language A1

Module summary

Module code:

Module coordinator: Tina Ewald

Credits (ECTS): 5 Points

Semester: According to the study regulations of the department

Pre-requisites with regard to content: none

Pre-requisites according to the examination regulations:

none

Competencies:

At the end of this career oriented A1 CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) courses, learners can understand and use simple expressions, sentences and texts. They can manage basic daily and professional situations (such as meeting and greeting, saying good bye and introductions). Students can use a very basic range of expressions in relation to personal situations and specific needs.

Assessment:

Written exam (120 minutes), oral assessment (10 minutes), Admission prerequisite: Active participation and 3 take-home exams (text production and exercises)

Course: Deutsch als Fremdsprache A1.1

Module code: DAFA11

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:

Students practice the correct use of phrases for greeting and meeting as well as introductions as well as asking and answering very simple general questions about themselves, their course of study and country of origin. They practice using very basic expressions to describe people and activities (course members, course of study, towns and the time, as well as how to apologize). Students complete forms with basic personal information (registration for a course or hotel reception), write simple e-mails, messages and very short messages such as an SMS or a blog. They read and understand very short, easy texts such as a shopping list, time-tables for university or public transport. They practice asking and understanding brief questions, giving simple directions, using numbers, prices and the time. The necessary vocabulary and grammar is also learnt (syntax, how to ask questions (yes-no and content), simple sentences and relative sentences or to conjugate verbs and personal pronouns.)

Recommended reading:

Course material and a course book as recommended in the course.

Comments:

The content of this course is taught through the analysis of many text and video sequences, appropriate vocabulary and grammar exercises as well as interactive discussions, communicative exercises, and roleplays.

Course: Deutsch als Fremdsprache A1.2

Module code: DAFA12

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:

Students practice the correct use of phrases for greeting and meeting as well as introductions as well as asking and answering simple questions about themselves, their profession and work. They learn to use basic expressions to describe people and activities (family members, character traits, what a person looks like, various jobs). They speak simply about their preferences, can reserve a table in a restaurant, and describe food and culinary habits. In this way they also learn about politeness in various settings. Furthermore they learn to describe a city (public transport, public buildings, events) and to describe or ask about the route to a place (trade center, shop, tram stop, etc.) In addition students complete forms with basic personal information, write simple e-mails, messages and postcards. They read and understand short, easy texts such as a menu or newspaper advertisement. They practice expressing themselves verbally – asking questions, giving directions, using numbers, prices and the time, or to carry out a simple telephone conversation. The necessary vocabulary and grammar is also learnt (sentence construction, question and answer with imperative sentences, the cases (nominative, accusative and dative) an introduction to the past tense.

Recommended reading:

Course material and a course book as recommended in the course.

Comments:

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