

LANGUAGE COURSES Brochure

Description

Extensive courses with a regular weekly frequency (one or more times a week), individual or in small groups. Most proposed languages are English, Italian, French, German, Arabic, Russian, Spanish, Portuguese and other languages are on request. These language courses are held for all levels and may lead to the achievement of internationally recognized diplomas.

Objectives

The objectives of these courses correspond to the directives of the European Common Framework of Reference for Language Learning and Teaching (see also the ELP, Self-assessment Grid).

The course includes oral communicative activities, listening, reading and written works.

The objectives of individual courses can be defined according to the needs of the participant.

Contents

For details please check the contents of the syllabus of each subject; which are realized with accurate choice of didactic materials, according to the level, that are used in our Institute. The text books are usually complemented by other authentic material (extra exercises taken from other text books and some previous exams), furnished by the teacher; in order to reach the objectives of the respective courses.

The target public

The course is addressed to young people or adults (of all ages), Swiss or resident foreigners that desire to learn a language and/or to improve their linguistic competency in the chosen language.

Required qualification

To be able to read and write in the proper mother tongue.

Diplomas/Certificates

- The CTA Istituto Interlingue frequency certificate, that informs about the accomplished objectives, is available, on request, on condition that the student has attended 80 % of the lessons.
- Participants who pass eventual external exams receive the relative diplomas, issued from the relative recognised examination authorities.

Duration of the course and home study

For administrative purposes, all courses are offered in renewable modules of 20 lessons, 45 minutes each which are usually held in sessions of 90 minutes each (i.e. two lessons at a time).

Private courses (only one participant) are offered in renewable modules of 10 lessons, 45 minutes each.

The attendance to all lessons is obligatory and students are requested to regularly dedicate some weekly hours for the home study.

Dates and timetables

These courses can start any moment of the year, according to the requirements of the participants and the programmes of CTA ISTITUTO INTERLINGUE.

In general there are no lessons held on bank and school holidays (the public Government calendar). The school year calendar of the Institute is published year by year.

Method

Learning takes place mainly in the classroom with individual and/or group activities for an authentic and current use of the language and to encourage active participation and to help participant to become responsible for their own learning. There are regular revisions and tests throughout the course. Direct method with frontal lessons, individual and group work facilitates the development of the four linguistic abilities.

Number of participants

From one to a maximum of 8 participants per class, depending on the type of course.

Costs per person and per module of 20, 40, 60 lessons of 45 minutes

N° of participants	20 lessons Cost per lesson in CHF	Total for 20 lessons in CHF	40 lessons Cost per lesson in CHF	Total for 40 lessons in CHF	60 lessons Cost per lesson in CHF	Total for 60 lessons in CHF
6-8	14	280	13	520	12	720
4-5	23	460	22	880	21	1260
2-3	35	700	34	1360	33	1980
1	66	1320	65	2600	64	3840

- Enrolment fee: CHF 60.00 lump sum
- Costs relative to the didactic materials (books, photocopies, etc.): from a minimum of CHF 80.00 to a maximum of about CHF 350.00, according the duration and the level of the course.
- A supplement of 15 % in respect to the above costs for courses in preparation for internationally recognized exams and for language courses for special purposes.

External exam fees

Contact the secretariat to receive detailed information. External exam fees for international diplomas are to be paid by the participants.

Enrolment

Enrolment is open all year round. Enrolment after the start of the course is possible, depending on the school discretion. For information, appointments and enrolments please contact the secretariat.

Annulment / rescission of the contract

Annulment, for whatever reason, before 3 working days of the beginning of the course, implies a payment of 50 % of the total cost of the course; after that term, the payment of 100 %. Delay or lack of payment of the total cost of the course is not valid as annulment.

Possibility for further training

- Conversation and „Follow up“ courses for maintaining the linguistic competency
- Intensive or extensive language courses at higher levels
- Possibility of preparation for internationally recognized exams

Office working hours: 8.00 - 12.00 and 14.00 - 18.00

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