

Syllabus: “Applied German Studies: Berlin”

International School, Summer Term 2024
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(a) Inhalt und Ansatz | Content and Approach

- The target group of the course consists of international students who have not been studying in Germany before and are therefore not yet familiar with Germany, its capital and its political system.
- The course aims at introducing to (i) the German political system, (ii) the history and societal impacts of the reunification and (iii) the process of European integration. Being designed as an academic excursion, the trip combines both cultural on-site experience and academic reflection.
- Students require at least an advanced level of English to follow the lessons. For the successful completion of the course, the student will be awarded 1 ECTS. Therefore, students should be prepared to spend considerable time working with the study content.
- Participants are required to register for the course via [StudIP](#) from 01.04.24 0:00 (first come first served). If there are problems with the registration via StudIP please contact Marcus Hornung via marcus.hornung@gmx.de.

(b) Qualifikationsziele | Learning Objectives

- The qualification objectives of the course are (i) to gain basic knowledge on the political system of the Federal Republic, the history of reunification and the European integration process, (ii) to raise the intercultural awareness in order to experience and pass their exchange semester to Germany as convenient and successful as possible.

(c) Kursstruktur | Course Structure

- **Academic Introduction**
 - 20/06/24 19:00-21:00 Online-Introduction to the Course and the Field Trip
- **Field Trip to Berlin**
 - 28/06/24 11:00 Departure from Schmalkalden
Workshops and Visits in Berlin and Potsdam
 - 30/06/24 20:00 Arrival to Schmalkalden
- **Academic Reflection**
 - 04/07/24 19:00-21:00 Online-Wrap-up of the Course and the Field Trip

(d) Kontakt | Contact

- marcus.hornung@gmx.de

(e) Studien- und Prüfungsleistungen | Course Assessment

- Assessment: Written Task, Formal Examination Date: 12/07/24
- For the successful completion of the course, the student will be awarded 1 ECTS.
- It is required to register through QIS for assessment during 17/06/24 and 30/06/24.