

■ DUO for Erasmus Students

European students learn German online and are effectively prepared for their stay in Germany

Every year, more than 17000 students visit Germany through the Erasmus program. For academic life in Germany, this international presence represents a valuable, enriching component and is highly valued by German universities.

Language barriers can often make successful communication and integration on campus very difficult, as well as preventing maximum progress in studies.

Since the beginning of 2006, the solution to this problem is finally here: DUO, the Online University of German. Thanks to an offer provided in cooperation with the DAAD, Erasmus students can now start preparing for language and life in Germany before even leaving home. Our specialized DUO courses are not only an easy yet extremely effective way of learning German, but also allow learners to find out more about their subjects and make valuable contacts in virtual classes - all at the same time. Qualified, specially trained DUO tutors offer individual guidance for all learners, promote maximum learning progress and also assign ECTS credits in selected courses.

Overview of this Initiative:

- the DAAD provides generous funding for DUOs Erasmus program
- an information campaign ties in post-secondary institutions inside and outside of Germany
- German Universities discover the possible advantages and distribute information material vigorously
- between 03/01 and 06/30/06, over 1200 Erasmus students (mainly from Poland, Spain, France) used the specially implemented website to sign up
- onDaF, the online assessment test, assigns registered users to the most suitable program according to their current abilities
- the high correlation between language abilities and course difficulty ensures that Erasmus students are especially motivated and are able to learn German extremely successfully

Advantages for Educational Institutions:

- easier linguistic and social integration of guest students
- circumvent having to implement a local, more expensive program
- don't miss out on this option: have us train your teaching staff as tutors, acquire a licence and offer profitable DUO courses of your own!

Advantages for Erasmus Students:

- easy and effective way of learning German
- ideal preparation for life in Germany
- start building a network of contacts with similar interests and goals before even entering the country
- qualify for valuable ECTS credits in selected courses

What is DUO?

DUO means Deutsch-Uni Online. DUO offers interactive and flexible learning of the German language for all language levels. DUO thereby combines language acquisition with the transfer of technical and practical knowledge. Due to intensive tutorial support, learners may use DUO to prepare themselves ideally for a study period or a research period in Germany.



synchronous presentation of pictures, sound, text and slides, online language recordings

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