

## Language level required for ERASMUS+ Incoming Students at Bielefeld University

At the beginning of the lecture period students need to have this level of language skills:

| Faculty/Department                             | Bachelor level       | Master level         |
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| Biology  | German B1            | German/English B2    |
| Chemistry/Biochemistry                         | German B1            | German/English B1    |
| Educational Science                            | German B1            | German/English B1    |
| History, Philosophy, Theology                  | German B1            | German/English B1    |
| Health Science                                 | German B1            | German B1            |
| Linguistics und Literary Studies/Liberal Arts: |                      |                      |
| German as a Foreign Language/German Studies    | German B1            | German B2            |
| Linguistics                                    | German B1            | German/English B1    |
| Literary Studies                               | German B1            | German B1            |
| Romance Cultures                               | German B1            | German B1            |
| Arts and Music                                 | German B1            | German B1            |
| British and American Studies                   | English B2           | English B2           |
| Mathematics                                    | German B1            | German/English B1    |
| Physics  | German B1            | German/English B1    |
| Psychology                                     | German B1/English B2 | German B1/English B2 |
| Law  | German B1            | German B1            |
| Sports Science                                 | German B1            | German B1            |
| Sociology/Political Science                    | German B1            | German/English B1    |
| Faculty of Technology                          | German B2            | German/English B2    |
| Economics/Business                             | German B1            | German/English B1    |

Based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

The language requirements specified by the faculty or department concerned are binding for all students intending to take up Erasmus studies at Bielefeld University. Participation in an intensive German language course before the beginning of the lecture period provides an opportunity for an up-grade by one level within the CEFR. For this, students must attend regularly, hand in the required assignments and do the self-study program which is part of the intensive course. Students will gain 4 or 5 ECTS for this course, depending on the level they are in.

The level of English is required for students who intend to attend courses taught in English. However, please note that main teaching language is German. English taught courses are offered in following study programmes: all courses in British/American Studies are taught in English, as well as some international track courses in Sociology, Politics, Educational Science and Informatics, mainly on MA level; a few courses in Psychology, Philosophy, History, Business Administration and Natural Sciences are also taught in English, mostly on an advanced level. Some Master programs are taught almost entirely in English: Behaviour - from neural mechanisms to evolution; Quantitative Economics; Inter-American Studies (which offers also Spanish taught courses), see: [http:// www.uni-bielefeld.de/ekvv](http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/ekvv)  
>> Courses taught in English