# Syllabus

**German A2.2**

**Kleve, SS 2019**

**Prerequisites**

In order to participate in this course, you must:

* have successfully completed the A2.1 level (*studio 21 A2*, chapters 1-6):
* In addition, you should be able to do the following in German:
  + Understand and use simple sentences and everyday expressions,
  + Talk about your background and family,
  + Talk about your interests and hobbies,
  + Use simple relative clauses in conversations,
  + Hold short, simple conversations on familiar topics.

**Materials**

* Required: Studio 21 A2 (Gesamtband). Available for purchase online and through bookstores in Kleve.
* Optional: **Studio 21 Vocabulary App** (Cornelsen, €5.99 for the entire A2 level)

**Content**

* This course will cover the contents of chapters 7-12 in the book *studio 21 A1.*
* **Communication topics (with applied speaking activities)**: “Das Stadt- und Landleben”, “Kultur”, “Arbeitswelten”, “Feste und Feiern”, “Emotionen”, “Ideen und Erfindungen”
* **Grammar topics**: modal verbs in simple past; regular verbs in simple past; perfect tense vs. simple past in spoken and written German; giving reasons with *weil* and *denn*; relative clauses with *um…zu* and *damit*; verbs taking the dative and accusative; prepositions that can take both dative accusative; nominalisation; passive voice
* **Mandatory additional requirement:** This course requires the completion of **independent learning tasks in Moodle** in order to participate in the final exam.

**Objectives**

* The focus of this course is on **further improving your speaking skills**. Each lesson includes activities with idiomatic expressions that will help you achieve natural-sounding and situationally-appropriate German in real everyday situations. By the end of this course you should be able to navigate routine conversations with relative ease.
* **General learning strategies** (tips for effective learning) and **vocabulary learning strategies** (tips for effectively learning vocabulary) will be discussed and approaches to dealing with more advanced texts practiced in class.
* **Important**: Homework is considered your individual responsibility. Answer keys to homework exercises can be downloaded from Cornelsen’s website and used to check your work.
* At the end of the course we will hold a **final examination** for the entire A2 level that will assess all four language skills (listening and reading comprehension, writing and speaking).
* Regular attendance (**min. 80%,** **11/13** sessions) and independent learning in Moodle are required in order to qualify for the final examination.
* The **final course grade in order to earn 5 ECTS and for the other participants** is composed as follows:

1) Examination

2) Independent learning in Moodle

3) Other proficiencies

**Important note on ECTS credits**: Your eligibility depends on whether your faculty recognizes language courses for credit for your particular degree programme. Refer to your **examination regulations** and the **study and examination plan in the annex** for more information. If your examination regulations do not contain specific provisions for language courses, you are generally ineligible to receive ECTS credits.

**Learning Guidance**

**You can further improve your progress by booking a learning guidance appointment. These one-on-one appointments offer tailored learning support and guidance from our senior lecturers for German. See Moodle for more information/booking.**