TU Clausthal

English Language Courses

Internationales Zentrum Clausthal (IZC)
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General Information

The International Center Clausthal (IZC) offers a wide range of English courses, from beginner to specialized. All students and university faculty members can attend our English language courses free of charge. If you are not a registered student, you may participate as a guest student for a small fee. Registration for guest students is to be completed at the Registrar‘s Office (Studierendensekretariat).

Tests

For more information about the tests and testing dates, please visit our website.

English Placement Test
This test is aimed at assessing the most suitable course(s) to be taken. Anyone who would like to participate in an English course for the first time at TU Clausthal must take the placement test. It is offered every semester on the Monday and Tuesday of the first week of classes.

TOEIC – Test of English for International Communication
The Language Center of the IZC is an accredited TOEIC® test center. The TOEIC® is known as the most taken test for assessing English language skills needed in the workplace. Moreover, universities have implemented the TOEIC® as an admission exam to study certain degrees or as language certification, for instance, for application purposes after completion of studies.
TOEFL ITP – Test of English as a Foreign Language Institutional Testing Program
The Language Center of the IZC is an accredited TOEFL ITP® test center. The TOEFL ITP® tests are paper-based and use academic and social content to evaluate the English-language proficiency of nonnative English speakers. Universities have implemented the TOEFL ITP® as an admission exam to study certain degrees or as language certification, for instance, for application purposes after completion of studies.

DAAD Language Certificate
This test is aimed at assessing language skills for students planning to spend a semester or longer abroad through the ERASMUS+ program or a cooperation program, either for study or work purposes.

Workshops

Intercultural Competence (3 credits)
Interacting with people from different cultural backgrounds has become an important part of our daily lives. To benefit from cultural diversity, this course is designed to develop your intercultural competence in two areas:
- Understanding culture and its impact on behaviour in an international working environment.
- Developing communication strategies and skills to work successfully in international teams.
Self-Editing PhD-Level Writing
This workshop - in cooperation with the Graduate Academy - aims at the development of the writing skills and specialized language required for PhD candidates writing in academic settings. The language practiced in this course goes beyond the B2/C1 level of the CEFR to enable the participants to express themselves appropriately and effectively in a scientific and academic context.

Our English Courses
Information and registration for all of our courses can be found on Stud.IP.

- General English courses A1 to C1 (2-4 credits)
- Technisches Englisch B2 (4 credits)
- Wirtschaftsenglisch B2 (4 credits)
- Wirtschaftsenglisch II B2 (2 credits)
- Improving English through Film B2 (4 credits)
- Vorbereitung auf den TOEFL Test (4 credits)
- English for International Commerce C1 – TOEIC Preparation (3 credits)
- Applied English for Science and Technology C1 (2 credits)
- Technical Writing B2 (2 credits)
- Academic Writing C1 (2 credits)
Additional Language Practice

**Moodle**
Moodle is a free and open-source learning management system. Materials and exercises which coincide with our English courses are available for students to learn autonomously. In doing so, students can improve their English skills outside the regularly scheduled lessons.

**Lunchtime English**
Lunchtime English aims at providing TU staff members with the opportunity to practice speaking English with other members from departments across the university. The participants meet for an hour on Thursdays for lunch and discuss various topics that help them assist students, teaching staff and other members of TUC.
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