

German courses

For refugees, it is very important that they can orientate themselves and communicate as quickly as possible. This is only possible if they start learning the language as soon as possible. Dependent on the residential status, a participation in an integration course in which German is taught as well is made more difficult. In addition, there are long waiting lists which are an obstacle to direct access.

Here at the Haus der Kulturen (House of Cultures), we try to do something about it with the easily accessible offer „German from the beginning“. Our employees and volunteers provide lessons at different times and for different learning levels. In addition, the Haus der Kulturen cooperates with the Städtisches Gymnasium Herten.

We provide refugees with a quick access to German courses, so that they come into contact with the German language in a sheltered surrounding. The course instructors particularly focus on the everyday reality of human beings and familiarize refugees with the everyday language by means of visual material and practical exercises.

Topics such as

- introducing yourself
- shopping
- dealing with official business
- doctor's visits
- school and kindergarten

have priority. Apart from learning the language, we thus enable migrants

- to create a daily structure
- to orientate themselves in a new country, in the municipality of Herten,
- to promote their social group competence
- to prevent hurdles in everyday life through cultural sensitization

We always advise migrants individually. If they have the appropriate residential status, we will also put them in contact with different educational institutions for integration courses.

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