<u>List of institutions authorized to organize</u> <u>federal Integration courses</u> <u>(as of September 2012):</u>

Berufsfortbildungswerk

Mrs. Eschelbach: 0621/120930 68159 Mannheim. D 7.2

Büro für Aus- und Weiterbildung

Mrs. Willer: 0621/25244 68161 Mannheim, N 7, 10

Caritasverband Mannheim Kath. Familienbildungsstätte

Mrs. Kirse: 0621/15699968 68159 Mannheim, F 2, 6

Goethe Institut Mannheim-Heidelberg

Mrs. Schneider: 0621/83385-0 68163 Mannheim, Steubenstr. 44

I.d.E. Trainingsinstitut Runne GmbH

Mrs. Hauser: 0621/15699930 68159 Mannheim, E 3, 2

Internationaler Bund

Mrs. Kral: 0621/891013

68219 Mannheim, Marie- Curie- Straße 2

Mannheimer Abendakademie

Mrs. Dettlaff: 0621/1076-165 68161 Mannheim, U 1, 16 - 19

Pangea Bildungszentren Lernzentrum Mannheim

Mrs. Sofsky: 0621/1566162 68161 Mannheim. N 2. 10

We try to offer courses in each city district. Please consult the institution that organize courses for more information.

Take advantage of the course possibilities!

Among the general Integration course there are special Integration courses for participants with special necessities. There are courses for teenagers, for women, literacy courses and special supporting courses.

The <u>literacy courses</u> start with learning to read and to write.

The supporting-courses are provided for Immigrants who entered Germany <u>before 2005</u> who are able to speak only rudimental german and never learned German language systematically.

Furthermore, there are special Integration courses for <u>women</u>, <u>parents</u> and those only for <u>teenagers</u> (since 16 and older).

Among the courses for special groups there are also intensive courses. They are useful for participants who want and are able to take a course as quick as possible.

<u>Literacy courses</u>, courses for <u>women and parents</u> provide a baby-sitting for your children.

Learning the German language makes your life in Germany easier for you and offers you a lot of new possibilities.

Parents who speak German are able to support their children in a better way. The orientation course gives you the opportunity to take a survey of German laws, history, culture, and also the values which are important in Germany like tolerance, religious freedom and equality.

Language is the key for a successful integration.

Attend an Integration course, it's worthwhile for you and your family!



Learn German

in a federal

Integrationscourse



Contact:

Officer-in-charge for Integration and Migration in the city of Mannheim

Rathaus E 5, Tel.: 293-9431 E-Mail: amt19@mannheim.de

Internet: www.mannheim.de/integrationskurse

Since January, 1st, 2005 the Federal Republic of Germany has been offering a so called Integration courses for learning German.

The Integration Course consists of up to 900 language lessons and up to 60 lessons in political education (orientation course)
The course ends with a test.

Who can attend an Integration course?

Recent immigrants

Adults who have come to Germany to live here permanently and who still speak no German are entitled to participate in such courses.

They even may be committed to participate by the Immigration Authorities and by the Employment Agencies (TGS).

These regulations do not apply for immigrants from other EU– member countries.

2. Immigrants who already live in Germany

Immigrants with a permanent residence who live in Germany can apply in writing to the Federal Department of Migration and Refugees at the below address:

Bundesamt für Migration und Flüchtlinge Durlacher Allee 100 76137 Karlsruhe

You will find application forms in the language schools (see reverse), by officers-in-charge for Integration and Migration in the city hall council, or on the Internet under www.bamf.de
Upon approval by the Federal Department of Migration and Refugees, you will receive a
Certificate of Entitlement (Berechtigungsschein). You can enrol for an Integration course only with this certificate. It is valid for two years.

This regulation concerns also ethnic Germans, people who has been living here as refugees and have not received a nationality yet, and also the citizens of EU or German citizens with migration background!

Together with you the language school will choose a suitable course type (see a chart).

Please consider beforehand:

- When can you attend a language course (in the morning, in the afternoon, in the evening, on weekends)?
- How many lessons per week can you manage (5-25 lessons)?
 Please consider the time for preparing your lessons.
- Do you need care for your children for the time when you attend classes?

How much does a language course cost?

There are various institutions in Mannheim which offer Integration courses. You can find a list of those with their addresses on the back of this prospect.

The <u>same</u> participation <u>conditions</u> are provided by all institutions:

- Each participant pays 1,20 EUR per lesson. Further costs include the purchase of textbooks. The final test is for free.
- Newly arrived immigrants with German roots (Spätaussiedler) are in principle exempt from course fees.
- Recipients of social welfare (Hartz IV, ALG II) can apply for exemption from course fees with the course application.
- Persons with low income can be exempted from course fees, as well. In order to receive an exemption, they should apply to Federal Administration for Migration and Refugee (BAMF) for a hardship case review (Härtefallprüfung).
- These persons can also apply for covering their transportation costs in case they use public transport to get to the course. The participants who are committed to participate in a course, but receive no unemployment payment (ALG II), and immigrants with German roots (Spätaussiedler) can apply for covering their transportation costs.

Application for Admission

to the Federal Administration for Migration and Refugees 76137 Karlsruhe, Durlacher Allee 100



With Certificate of Entitlement

(Berechtigungsschein) you can register at the institution you have chosen, which helps you to find a suitable course type according to the results of your entry—level test



Intensiv course:

400 hours of language course as well as 30 hours of orientation course

oder 2.

General Integration course:

Basic language course - 300 hours and Intermediate language course - 300 hour (reviewing is possible) and 60 hours of orientation course

oder 3.

Special Integration courses:

Up to 900 hours of language course as well as 60 hours of orientation course If a participant hasn't achieved the course level, 300 hours of the language course can be reviewed.



Final Test is obligatory Certificate (DTZ) B1 / A2

Shortening of the waiting period (legal common residence in Germany) from 8 to 7 years before receiving the right to acquire the nationality (only with B1)

Required in order to receive permanent residence permit (only with B1)