

Tandem.MINT – Schedule | Certificate-Variant

Tandem Language Learning Programme for students of Engineering and Natural Sciences

Component	Description	Confirmation
Introductory Session	<p>Introduction to the Tandem Language Learning Programme (in German)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the principles of learning in a tandem and learning strategies in a tandem, differences from other language courses • Basic rules for working together in a tandem 	attendance list / signature
Individual Tandem Sessions	<p>Minimum of 13 self-organised tandem sessions of 120 min each (weekly meetings during lecture period)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent training of spoken and written language skills with a focus on technical language and typical contexts in the fields of Natural Sciences and Engineering 	session list
Language Practice Meet-up (Sprachcafé) <i>or</i> Writing Centre (Schreibzentrum) [optional]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-time participation in Language Practice Meet-up (Sprachcafé) as a <i>Language Guide</i> for your native language or as a learner of a foreign language <i>or</i> • One-time individual consultation on academic writing (Schreibberatung) or participation in a mini-workshop on academic writing in a foreign language / German as a foreign language in the Writing Centre (<i>Schreibzentrum</i>) 	<i>none (optional)</i>
Reflection Session	<p>Mid-term reflection session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflection on the progress of your tandem learning, exchanging ideas with other participants 	attendance list / signature
Written Conclusion	<p>Concluding essay, or written reflection, on working together in the tandem and achieving individual learning objectives, based on guiding questions (<i>see Tandem.MINT-Portfolio > Conclusion</i>)</p>	submission by due date

Note: Components marked in dark green are mandatory; those marked in light green are optional.

Main Intended Learning Outcomes

- Building on foreign language skills, especially regarding academic and subject-specific language use in Natural Sciences and Engineering contexts (focus: spoken and written expression, listening comprehension)
- Managing own language learning independently and reflecting on the learning process
- Reflecting on cultural differences in communication styles
- Reflecting on and further developing own skills of communication and interaction for intercultural and international contexts

Notes on Confirmation of Participation (Tandem.MINT-Certificate)

- A confirmation of participation (Tandem.MINT-Certificate) will be issued **on condition** that all obligatory components described above are fulfilled. **Confirmation** of participation for the components as well as the **concluding essay** are to be submitted on time by the end of the lecture period to the project coordinators.
- The certificate attests to the following: the period of participation in the programme, the foreign language practised in the tandem, and an overall description of the programme components and objectives. The certificate does **not contain** any **assessment of performance** or **language proficiency**.
- In case you would like to obtain credit points (CP) for participating in the programme, the specifications and requirements of the module description for the CP variant apply.