

Proficiency in German

for applicants whose native language is not German

- **Who needs to prove their German knowledge:**

All Bachelor or Master applicants whose native language is not German have to prove their knowledge of German with diploma (CEF level B1).

Applicants for preparation courses, university courses or non-degree programmes will be tested during the entrance examination (oral test).

- **Which level is required / which diplomas are recognized for Bachelor or Master applicants:**

Level B1 diplomas (according to CEF) and „Zertifikat Deutsch“ of OSD (www.osd.at)

- **Until what date do Bachelor or Master applicants have to prove their German knowledge:**

The proof of German proficiency of at least A2 is needed at enrolment. By the end of the 2nd semester, at the latest, a proof of German knowledge at level B1 is needed, **otherwise a continuation of the degree programme is not possible.**

- Language diplomas other than the mentioned ones and which are not considered equivalent to level B1 have to be certified by a language school.

- Only the diplomas issued by **officially recognized language schools** (OSD certified) are accepted.

- No German language certificate is needed, if the foreign student has graduated high school in Germany or Austria, or has an academic degree from a German-speaking university.

- **Where can you get the diplomas to prove the knowledge of German:**

Diplomas of German are awarded by all certified language schools (e. g. at the Goethe Institutes) worldwide:
www.osd.at or www.goethe.de

The Music and Arts University of the City of Vienna cooperates with the Austrian Oriental Society (www.orient-gesellschaft.at) – where you can take German diplomas and placement tests that are recognized.