

The Ukraine war has triggered a wave of refugees that exceeds that of 2015. The demand for language courses in Germany and also in the district of Neuburg-Schrobenhausen has increased enormously as a result. The Ukrainian participants who present themselves at the Volkshochschule Schrobenhausen all have very good IT skills. The need for support here is primarily in the language area.

At Volkshochschule Schrobenhausen, various initiatives are currently underway to promote the language skills of the participants.

The vhs Schrobenhausen currently offers the following language courses:

4 INTEGRATION COURSES with 6 lecturers (partly in tandem) - 3 in Schrobenhausen, 1 in Mering. Here, another course in Friedberg and 2 in Schrobenhausen are being planned for September 2022.

Learning content:

The aim is to acquire language skills at B1 competence level as well as basic knowledge for the life in Germany. Participation in the integration courses is subject to an obligation on the part of the Aliens' Registration Office. Only recognised refugees are entitled to participate. Successful participation is a prerequisite for applying for a settlement permit.

Includes 600 teaching units of language course and 100 teaching units of orientation course.

Communication in 12 fields of activity:

- Offices and authorities
- Work
- Job search
- Training and further education
- Banks and insurances
- Child care and education
- Shopping
- Health care
- Media use
- Mobility (use of public transport, etc.)
- Education
- Living

2 INITIAL ORIENTATION COURSES FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS (EOK) were added to the course programme. Here, the Adult Education Centre offers two courses with 3 lecturers.

Learning content:

The courses are based on the concept "Initial orientation and learning German for asylum seekers". Everyday life in Germany

The following topics are covered:

- Work
- Shopping
- Health/medical care
- Kindergarten/school
- Media use in Germany
- Local orientation/transport/mobility
- Customs and traditions in Germany/Local characteristics
- Talking about yourself and others/Social contacts
- Living in Germany
- Values and living together

For the lessons, five topics are selected from the concept that fit the needs of the participants. The module "Values and Living Together" is compulsory for every participant. Here you will learn, among other things, which basic values determine life in Germany and how these are reflected in everyday life.



EOK group led by course instructor Xandra Bauer. The participants are mainly academics with a technical background and have excellent IT skills.

Also:

3 language courses offered by volunteers (2 x 2 hours per week each)

1 literacy course (crash course in February 2023) by a volunteer lecturer (retired)

4 language courses for self-payers (A1.1., A1.2, B1 and B2)

1 exam preparation courses

1 tutoring for participants of integration class by a volunteer lecturer, once per week, 90 minutes

Sponsorship project: (under construction)

So in total approximately 90 students join one of our various classes.

Two families are currently taking care of the integration of asylum seekers who are also taking part in one of the language courses at the Schrobenhausen Adult Education Centre.

Through the volunteer helpers' circle in Waidhofen, a lady looks after 11 asylum seekers, goes on excursions, assists with visits to the authorities and accompanies them on their way to integration.

A young medical student from Ghana, who fled from Ukraine, was taken in by a family. The family supports her with language and cultural acquisition, recognition of her certificates for employment in Germany as a doctor, and practical everyday things (riding a bike, learning to swim, etc.).



End of the strawberry season in Schrobenhausen: excursion with the host family to the strawberry plantation.