

DAAD Language Certificate

The DAAD Language Certificate test is for students who need to demonstrate their level of English language ability for:

- studying (abroad or in Germany),
- internships,
- project and job applications,
- funding applications – e.g. from the DAAD.

The test is based on the IELTS language test: academic reading, academic writing (essay only) and speaking. The speaking test will take place on Zoom by arrangement. Certificates will be completed once all tests have been marked/assessed, and then available to collect from the ZSIK Servicebüro.

The DAAD test is offered four times per year (online):

- in each IdW session*, and
- at the beginning of each semester**.

* During the IdWs:

- a preparation workshop (online) will be offered to practice and train for the test,
- students will be enrolled onto the DAAD prep & test Moodle,
- workshop/test dates and times will be published on the IdW website,
- credit is available for full participation in the workshop and test,
- registration is required for the workshop (via the IdW website),
- Participation in the IdW workshop is not required to do the test and can register via email stephen.walsh@fh-kiel.de – credit is NOT available for this option.

** Semester start:

- the DAAD test (online) will be available in the first week of lectures of each semester,
- interested students can register via email with stephen.walsh@fh-kiel.de,
- students will be enrolled onto the DAAD prep & test Moodle for self-learning and practice purposes,
- test dates will be emailed to registered students and/or available on the ZSIK website.

Tips

It is possible to obtain a DAAD Language Certificate without doing the DAAD Language Test:

1. with proof of having completed an English language module (at ZSIK or another university †)
†email the following information to Stephen Walsh - Matrikel number, degree name/title (e.g. Business Management BA), module information (i.e. module name, completion date, proof of completion – such as from QIS), name of lecturer and purpose of the certificate (e.g. study abroad etc) plus the destination country.
2. with a relevant English language certificate (i.e. Cambridge, IELTS, TOEFL or similar †)
†the 'proof' should be no more than three years old;
email a copy of the certificate, Matrikel number etc to Stephen Walsh

Please note that the DAAD Language test is:

- **NOT** a placement test, and will not be accepted by ZSIK as such,
- **NOT** a replacement for an (English) exam - Faculty examinations offices have been informed not to accept it as such,
- **NOT** for students to simply see how good their English is.