

Introductory session

Learning a foreign language in a language tandem



What is a tandem?

Two people who share their knowledge and learn together.



How does a tandem work?

- Two people register online on the tandem platform "TAPAS" and enter their mother tongue and target language
- The language tandem team tries to find a suitable language partner
- Both receive a "suggestion" by email (accept/reject)
- Tandem pair organizes their tandem individually
- **IMPORTANT!** Personal, clear agreements:
 - When and where do we meet?
 - What are our goals? - concrete objective
 - What can we do together? - e.g. talking about everyday topics, correcting homework and essays, practicing pronunciation, using materials from the website (Language Tandem Uni Marburg, Seagull Uni Greifswald), excursions, doing sports, drinking coffee...

Requirements for obtaining ECTS point(s):

- 1 or 2 ECTS point(s) can be obtained
- 7 or 14 meetings of 1 hour each (depending on the number of ECTS points earned)
- From level A2
- At least 3 counselling meetings with the tandem team (ECTS information event counts as the 1st counselling meeting, 2nd counselling meeting after approx. 3-4 sessions, 3rd counselling meeting as the final meeting after all sessions; the 2nd and 3rd counselling meetings should be organized in time by email (tandem@staff.uni-marburg.de))
- Properly kept logbook (German or English), download the template: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/language-center/language-tandem/files/tandem-log-book.pdf>
- Important note: Everyone who wants to obtain ECTS points must create their OWN logbook and fill it out independently!
- Creating a "self-made" language tandem activity

How can I register? <https://tandem.online.uni-marburg.de>

You can register on our homepage under language tandem.

1. click on "Register" at the top: enter your e-mail address and password
2. receive an e-mail: click on "Activate account"
3. to log in: enter your email address and password
4. create profile: Fill in the text fields and click on "Save changes"
5. click on the house at the top right and then on "Create request"
6. create request: Fill in the text fields, write a short introductory text for your partner and click on "Create request"
7. now wait until you receive an e-mail

Who can I contact?

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- Further information, also on future events, on our website: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/language-center/language-tandem>