

REQUIREMENTS FOR OUR PARTNER LANGUAGE SCHOOLS ABROAD:

1. At least 80 percent of the teachers working in the language schools are **trained teachers with a DaF** or comparable qualification.
2. Class sizes are a **maximum of 25 pupils per class**. Small classes are an important quality criterion because the smaller the groups, the more the individual pupil benefits from the teaching.
3. Sufficient **German native speakers** with appropriate teacher training. Unfortunately, a continuous deployment of native speakers is usually not possible - there is always a shortage of German native speakers abroad, from which all language schools suffer.
4. **Work with regular teaching materials**, not pirated ones.
5. **Certification** according to German or country-specific standards.
6. **Regularly employed teachers** with the **correct residence permit** (no tourist visas).
7. In-service training for teaching staff in cooperation with German providers (such as universities, textbook publishers like Hueber or with the licensor Telc gGmbH).
8. Opportunities for students to practice their German **outside of class** (activities in German, movie nights, etc.).
9. A self-understanding as a **language and culture mediator** and a preparation for society and everyday life in Germany.
10. All teachers use a **consistent system of presenting grammatical phenomena**, e.g. definite articles.
11. **Quality controls** 2 - 3 times a year by observing the teachers.