



The table below is a summary of the CEFR grid. It shows you the language level that you can achieve during your stay as well as the level required to take one of the official French or German exams offered at Alpadia schools.

Your CEFR* level	Description	French exam equivalence	German exam equivalence	**Approximate time to achieve level from a beginner with the Standard 20 course
C2 VERY ADVANCED	Black Belt Master You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand everything you read or hear in a range of subjects; understand the subtleties of the language and easily interpret complex documents; express yourself correctly and fluently without hesitation; debate complex subjects. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dalf C2 TCF e-TEF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goethe Zertifikat C2 TELC Deutsch C2 	920+ HOURS 60+ WEEKS
C1 ADVANCED	Autonomous university breakthrough level You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand the specifics of complex texts and oral outputs on subjects relating to social and professional life; express yourself with confidence and precision when discussing a range of topics. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dalf C1 TCF e-TEF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goethe Zertifikat C1 (ZMP) TELC Deutsch C1 Hochschule & TELC Deutsch C1 + Beruf TestDaF 4 & TestDaF 5 Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang (DSH) 	710 HOURS 48 WEEKS
B2 UPPER INTERMEDIATE	Advanced professional breakthrough level You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand detailed information in texts or oral output dealing with a familiar, concrete or abstract topics; express yourself clearly about subjects that you are interested in. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delf B2 TCF e-TEF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goethe Zertifikat B2 TELC Deutsch B2 TestDaF 3 TELC Deutsch B2 + Beruf 	530 HOURS 36 WEEKS
B1 INTERMEDIATE	Personal breakthrough level You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand the important information in texts and oral output about known or expected situations; express yourself with ease on subjects dealing with everyday life. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delf B1 TCF e-TEF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zertifikat Deutsch (ZD) TELC Deutsch B1 + Beruf Goethe Zertifikat B1 	350 HOURS 24 WEEKS
A2 UPPER ELEMENTARY	Advanced basic level You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand practical information in simple messages of everyday life; make yourself understood in familiar and expected situations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delf A2 TCF e-TEF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start Deutsch 2 TELC Deutsch A2 + Beruf 	215 HOURS 15 WEEKS
A1 ELEMENTARY	Basic level You can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand short phrases if known or repeated; express your basic needs; identify and reproduce single words or memorised expressions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delf A1 TCF e-TEF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start Deutsch 1 	100 HOURS 7 WEEKS

*Common European Framework of Reference for the teaching of foreign languages.

**The level achieved by each student depends upon their individual capabilities, investment and diligence.

For a more in-depth progression, select an Intensive 25 or Premium 30 course.