Online German language course in preparation for an ERASMUS exchange to Kiel University in the summer term 2022

Target group:
- Scandinavian ERASMUS students who prepare for an ERASMUS term at Kiel University from April until July 2022. For the course to be held, there must be at least one participant from Norway (since the Study Centre is a German-Norwegian institution).
- Language requirements: basic knowledge of German (approx. at A2 level), e.g. from school
- The teaching language will be Norwegian. Students may also speak Swedish or Danish.
- The course is free of charge.

Aims and objectives:
- The course focuses on reading and listening skills in order to train the students’ ability to follow lessons and lectures in German. (For speaking and writing themselves, the students should be allowed to use English in most circumstances).
- Comparative outlook: How can my Scandinavian native language (and sometimes English) help me to understand German words and structures?
- In addition, we will give some culture and regional information for the stay in Kiel (e.g. use of formal/informal address, e-mail etiquette).
- Each session comprises approx. 30 minutes grammar explanation (see draft on next page), approx. 30 minutes discussion of homework (concerning the previous week’s grammar topic), and approx. 30 minutes question time concerning the individual reading and listening material (see next point).
- Homework (approx. 1 hour a week): The students read – in sections – an introductory book and watch an online lecture from their individual subject area. The material will be selected by the ERASMUS coordinators in Kiel and be provided in electronic form. In addition, there will be some short grammar exercises.
- The purpose of the course is to improve the students’ reading and listening skills. The homework and exercises will not include oral and writing skills and productive grammar skills.

Timeline:
- Application until 20th October 2021 via the ERASMUS coordinators at the Scandinavian universities. The coordinators contact the Study Centre DNSZ (see below) until the end of October 2021.
- The online course via Zoom starts in November 2021 and ends in February 2022.
- The course comprises 1 weekly session of 90 minutes (starting at 6 p.m.? ) as well as approx. 1 hour of homework per week.
- If the students are interested, there can be a 1-2 weeks’ extension of the course on-site in Kiel in the end of March 2022, focusing on oral skills.
- Credit points to be discussed with the coordinators at the Scandinavian universities.

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