

Bengali Summer School

Beginners' and Advanced Course

Dates: 1 - 17 August 2024

Course fee: 250 Euros

Registration Deadline: 31st May

Beginners' Course

In the beginners' course the participants will develop speaking, reading, listening, and writing skills and acquire a basic vocabulary of Bengali. Emphasis will be on **pronunciation, basic knowledge of grammar, basic vocabulary, simple exercises in reading, writing, speaking and listening.**

Advanced Course

In the advanced course participants will develop a deeper understanding of grammar, communicative skills, and the ability to understand literary texts. Emphasis will be on **exercises on selected grammatical topics, newspaper readings, listening exercises (accompanied by films, TV programs, radio broadcasts, poetry and text readings etc.) and conversation.**

Each course is going to have 40 classes altogether. Classes will be held Mondays to Saturdays from 9.30 am to 3.30 pm (3 classes/day) and Saturdays from 9.30 am to 1 pm (2 classes). There will be ample opportunity to practice the script and to clarify any doubts and questions regarding the language and grammatical rules.

Participants without any previous knowledge of the Bengali script are asked to familiarize themselves with the script using the following textbook:

Bengali: A Comprehensive Grammar, Hanne Ruth Thompson, Routledge, London, 2010, ISBN 978-0-415-41139-4, 978-0-415-41139-0, 978-0-415-41139-9

Accompanying program: • Movies, TV Shows, Music, Recitations • City Tour • Meeting with Bengali students and native speakers • Cooking classes with simple dishes of Bengali cuisine

The entry fee is to be transferred to the following account by 30 June:

Baden-Württembergische Bank

For transfers from abroad:

SWIFT / BIC: SOLADESTXXX

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As the purpose of transfer, please indicate:

SAI Bengali Summer School 2024, cost center 970 250 00

For more information and to register, please contact: alice.deflorian@stud.uni-heidelberg.de