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Intercomprehension among Germanic languages

A plurilingual course: English, German, Dutch,
Danish, Swedish, Norwegian



**The University of Florence's Language Center
is offering a
one-week intensive summer course in
Germanic IC in Florence**

How long does the course last? Where does it take place?

The Intercomprehension course (IC) lasts 30 hours. The first 5 hours will take place online; the other 25 will be in person in Florence, with teachers and students from around Europe.

Who are the teachers? What is the main language?

The course will be co-taught by Jessica Thonn (English) and Petra Brunnhuber (German), with native speakers of the other Germanic languages leading some activities. The main language is English; German may also be used, if all participants know it.

Do I need to know other languages well?

You should be able to speak English and have at least a B1 in another Germanic tongue.

How can I enroll?

To enroll in the course:

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Only 18 places are available.

What is Intercomprehension?

Intercomprehension (IC) is an age-old form of **kommunikasjon** in which each **Person** uses their own language. To **kommunisere** successfully requires both specific interactive **Strategien** and some familiarity with the other language. Although this approach has been in use for centuries, only recently have **kurs** been developed to teach it. In addition to its IC courses for Romance languages, the CLA is now offering IC for the **germanska** language familie. An IC course does not replace a **kurs** dedicated to a single **språk**, but it will provide you with **teknikker** for learning any **språk**, and interaction **Strategien**, so you can more successfully communicate with anyone in any foreign **språk**.

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In this **kurs** you will both **leer** to use the IC **Strategien** and gain reading and listening **kompetence** (A2/B1) in the 6 **germanska** languages covered: English, German, Norwegian, Swedish, Danish and Dutch.

The course's main language is **Englisch** (and German, depending on the language ability of the participants). To take the **kurs** you should be able to **kommunisere** in English and be at least a B1 of another Germanic language; also, please join if you are a native or proficient user of any **germanska** tongue. The more languages the better!

What will we do in the lessons?

During each **klas** you will work simultaneously with different **Sprachen** (languages), looking for similarities. In each **lektion** students will have simple written **teksten** or **Video-/Audiomaterial** from one or two **Sprachen**. You will locate familiar terms in the **teksten**, discover the different spelling **correspondentien** across the **Sprachen**, and compare the various **grammatikstrukturer**.

During the **videoer** and conversations you will also **leren** the different IC **kommunikativ Strategien**. Our guest IC **spesialisten** will do **Aktivitäten** with the class, sharing both their linguistic and **kulturell** expertise. **Klas Aktivitäten** will also **inkludere videoer, games, and songs**, in 6 **Sprachen** - just like you are doing now!

