

Course code SI.1.DUAL

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Course information

Title	The German Dual System of Vocational Education and Training
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Course URL	teacheracademy.eu/course/german-vocational-education-training/
N. of participants	Min. 4 - Max. 14
Course length	One week (6 days, Monday - Saturday)
Language	English. Other languages may be available upon request
Locations and starting dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Berlin - First Monday of the month <p>On request, we can organize this course directly at your school. Discover all the dates at teacheracademy.eu/courses-dates/</p>
Free time activities offered	All courses include at least one city guided tour and one full-day Cultural Activity.
Type of certification awarded	Certificate of Attendance, including a description of the course contents (80% of attendance required); other Certificates may be available upon request
Price	Starting from 480€ * * Our courses are eligible to be completely funded by the Erasmus+ KA1 funds and several other programs.

Course contents

Description	<p>Teachers and stakeholders in education often face the important challenge of integrating theory and practice in school curricula.</p> <p>Not only are theory and practice deeply intertwined, but also they are key to developing students' competences and self-knowledge, providing students with an introduction to potential career paths. However, designing dual courses of study requires innovative ideas and structure.</p> <p>In this course, participants will have the chance to explore the German dual system of education, which has been successfully implemented for several years with growing effectiveness. Participants will analyse the dual method and create their own action plans to provide students with successful learning experiences in which vocational elements are an integral part of the degree program.</p> <p>By the end of this course, participants will have acquired a full understanding of the dual method, awareness concerning the importance of integrating theory and practice in educational systems, and strategies to implement successful training experiences in their own learning environments.</p>
Learning outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand how the dual system works and which are the aims of this educational program;• Get a clearer perception concerning the activities and the implementation of the program;• Understand how the deployment of the dual system contributes to reducing the unemployment rate and the school dropout;• Understand how the collaboration between companies and educational institutions improves educational skills;• Implement the dual system abroad and how to adapt it to the different educational environments.

Tentative schedule*

Day 1 – Course introduction & intro to the dual system of vocational education	Day 2 - Encompassing learning methods
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to the course, the school, and the external week activities;• Icebreaker activities using drama for trust and ensemble building;• Identification of needs and goals for each participant and relevant populations;• Description of the fundamentals of the dual system of vocational education and training in Germany;• Looking at some practical experiences;• Presentations of the participants' schools.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The advantages of integrating theoretical study and practical training in education;• Looking at peculiar training programs.
Day 3 - Positives of the dual system	Day 4 - Evaluating results of activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How the dual system positively influences the labour market and contributes to seek the unemployment rate, illustration of successful examples.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Competences and prerequisites to achieve a successful training experience;• How to evaluate the results of training activities on students;• Workshop: selection and evaluation methods for students applying for dual system.
Day 5 - Introducing the dual system abroad	Day 6 - Course closure & cultural activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to implement the dual system abroad, discussion about similar programs in other countries;• Workshop: how to introduce the dual system in the framework of different educational programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Course evaluation: round up of acquired competences, feedback, and discussion;• Awarding of the course Certificate of Attendance;• Excursion and other external cultural activities.

*The schedule describes likely activities but may differ significantly based on the requests of the participants, and the trainer delivering the specific session. Course modifications are subject to the trainer's discretion. If you would like to discuss a specific topic, please indicate it at least 4 weeks in advance.

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