

LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM BETWEEN THE GERMAN JORDANIAN UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF SIEGEN

26 STUDENTS | 6 DIFFERENT NATIONALITIES | 3 MONTHS



LANGUAGE

Conversations about different daily topics in Arabic and German between the students

CULTURE

Discussing intercultural issues, similarities and differences between the Arabic speaking world and the German speaking world

OVERVIEW

The idea for the language exchange project came to fruition during the Erasmus+ Staff and Teaching Mobility program in June of 2022. Inside the walls of the language center at the University of Siegen and after witnessing a similar project between the university of Siegen and the University of Toulouse, it was decided to pioneer a similar program with the German Jordanian University.

The project provides students on both sides of the cooperation with a unique opportunity to practise the language they are learning with native speakers and to discuss global intercultural subjects with peers from 6 different nationalities. The project encourages the students therewith to enhance their intercultural competences and to develop diplomatic communication and debating skills of pressing cultural subjects.

DEBATES

Researching and debating an intercultural subject at the end of the project

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The students will embark together on a journey to discover the similarities and differences between humans across national borders. They will discuss together how people greet each other, how they identify as people and how they perceive family units. They will talk about different university and work etiquettes, eating and drinking habits, clothing, and leisurely activities.



“I am citizen of the world, known to all and to all a stranger.”

- Desiderius Erasmus

They will try to share their culture, beliefs, and identity using the language they are learning; the native language of their assigned partner.

ACHIEVEMENTS

01

Short summary audios or videos after every meeting between the partners.

02

Short journal entry and reflections after every meeting between the partners.

03

Cooperative creative video to be presented at the last meeting.

04

Researching and debating an intercultural subject.

