

Summer School: “Intensive Course in Spoken and Written Urdu”

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The South Asia Institute at Heidelberg University, Germany, will offer introductory and intermediate courses in Urdu during the summer vacations 2011. In the introductory course, students develop speaking, reading, listening and writing skills and acquire basic vocabulary as well as knowledge of the main grammatical structures and conversational etiquette of Urdu.

At the intermediate level, students expand their vocabulary, their knowledge of grammatical structures and develop ease and confidence in dealing with communicative tasks.

The instructors, Ms Amtul Manan Tahir, Ms Bushra Iqbal Malik and Dr Christina Oesterheld, have taught regular Urdu courses at Erfurt University and Heidelberg University and intensive Summer courses at Erfurt and Heidelberg.

Classes are scheduled to take place from Monday to Friday, 9.30 am to 3.30 pm. Regular film shows, viewing of news reports and cultural activities will be part of the programme. Participants who take part in the full programme and pass the written tests will be awarded 7 ECTS or equivalent credits.

All participants are requested to acquire a basic knowledge of the Urdu script prior to the course. For this purpose, we recommend: Richard Delacy, *beginners urdu script* (teach yourself series), ISBN 0-340-86028-6.

Time: 29 August – 16 September 2011

Venue: South Asia Institute Heidelberg

Prerequisite: Basic knowledge of the Urdu alphabet

Fee: 220 Euro (incl. teaching materials)

Deadlines: Application May 31, 2010, Payment 30 June 2010

Accommodation: Hostel on request

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