

## **German integration courses**

To support individual and macroeconomic integration processes and to increase equal opportunities for migrants, the town of Romanshorn is committed to targeted and sustainable language support. For people resident in Romanshorn, German group courses at accredited schools are therefore subsidised. The general conditions and further information can be found below.

### **The following group courses are financially supported:**

- Literacy courses
- German courses level A1, A2, B1 (incl. exams from level A2)

### **Prerequisites:**

- You are resident in the town of Romanshorn.
- You have a valid residence permit (permit B, C, F).
- Your course is not already funded by another organisation.

### **And this is how it works:**

- For advice and clarification of your entitlement, please contact the Social Affairs Centre by e-mail or telephone (058 346 83 31).
- After checking your eligibility for a subsidy, you will receive a voucher from the city of Romanshorn, which you hand in to the language school when you register for the course.
- If you attend at least 80 % of the lessons, a discount will be deducted from your language school bill, which will be paid by the municipality.
- If you have not attended 80% of the course, the subsidy will lapse and you will be charged the full course fee by the language school.
- Childcare for pre-school children at the language school is also financially supported (if offered and course attendance of 80%).

### **General conditions:**

- The courses can be taken at various language course providers.
- Intensive courses, evening/weekend courses or semester courses can be attended.
- Only one voucher can be redeemed per language level (excluding literacy). Exceptions due to personal circumstances can be applied for.
- The condition for financial support from the municipality is a course attendance of at least 80%.
- The subsidy covers 1/3 of the course costs, up to a maximum of CHF 7/lesson.
- The subsidisation of pre-school childcare at the language school covers 1/3 of the total costs, up to a maximum of CHF 3/lesson.
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### **Subsidised language courses can be awarded if the following reasons apply:**

- you are planning to attend a course in the first three years of your stay in Switzerland.
- you have come to Switzerland through family reunification.
- They show a willingness to integrate (labour market, social integration).
- you are not affiliated with the social welfare office but have a low income.

The subsidy criteria will be checked by the specialist department for society and the voucher issued. The offer is limited. There is no entitlement to payment. Requests are processed on receipt and eligibility for subsidies is checked.

Information on accredited language schools here:

HEKS in-fra

HDS House of Languages

Migros Club School

You can also attend the language course at another language school.

Registration form