

# د پښتو لوست – Pashto Language Course

The Central Asian Seminar at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin is offering a **Pashto language course** in the **summer semester 2025**, open to participants from outside the university. The course will be conducted in a **hybrid format**, allowing both in-person and online participation. Face-to-face sessions in Berlin will be streamed live via **Zoom**, enabling remote participants to engage **actively** rather than just passively.

## Course Details

- **No prior knowledge** of Pashto is required.
- **Language of instruction:** English.
- **Schedule:** Wednesdays & Fridays, **08:00–10:00 CEST** (April 21 – July 19, 2025).
- **Mode:** Hybrid (in-person in Berlin & online via Zoom).

In subsequent semesters, **Pashto II, III, and IV** and, possibly, a **reading course for advanced students** will be offered. Since **Pashto I only provides an introduction**, it is strongly recommended that participants plan to continue with the following courses to build proficiency. Due to the **complex structure of Pashto**, ongoing study is essential for deeper language acquisition.

The course follows a **communication-oriented** approach, developing both **active and passive** language skills from the very beginning. **Audio and video materials** will be provided to reinforce learning and aid retention.

## Registration & Fees

Participants who are not enrolled at Humboldt-Universität can register as **guest auditors** or **visiting students**.

- **Registration information:** [HU Berlin guest student information](#)
- **Fee:** 15 € per weekly hour for guest auditors (**total: 60 € for the semester**).

Before officially registering, **please contact the instructor, Lutz Rzehak** ([lutz.rzehak@hu-berlin.de](mailto:lutz.rzehak@hu-berlin.de)). The number of external participants will be finalized **after April 9, 2025**, once the registration deadline for Humboldt students has passed. All formalities (registration form and payment) will be clarified after this date.

To **strengthen your application**, you are encouraged to attach a **short letter of motivation** explaining your interest in learning Pashto when reaching out.

For any questions, feel free to contact **Lutz Rzehak** ([lutz.rzehak@hu-berlin.de](mailto:lutz.rzehak@hu-berlin.de)).