

Language camps in Switzerland

French, English and German language
camps for participants from
12 to 18 years old



SLC, Swiss Language Club



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The Swiss Language Club is part of the Swiss Education Group, a world leader in hotel management schools. SLC has been organising summer language camps in Switzerland since 1983, combining top-quality language education with a wide range of leisure, sports and sightseeing activities.

SLC offers a first-rate summer programme headed by a highly motivated and experienced team in our study centre in Leysin. The programme, located only half an hour from Lake Geneva, is open to participants aged 12 to 18.

Intensive language lessons in the morning are followed by a varied afternoon and evening programme featuring sports, recreational activities and excursions.

English and French courses are available for the entire duration of the camp, while German classes are only open during four weeks.

Continually renovated, our course centre features modern classrooms, comfortable double and single rooms, as well as a large variety of leisure facilities. The SLC centre also acquired an excellent reputation for its culinary quality, provided by the Swiss Hotel Management School. A team of professional chefs prepares three buffets (breakfast, lunch and dinner) from Monday to Friday, with brunch and dinner on the weekends. Barbecues and special theme nights add even more variety to the mix.

Should you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be happy to answer your questions.

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Ten good reasons to choose SLC

Over the years, thousands of participants have enjoyed our language camps. Their comments and feedback, together with our innovative management approach, have inspired us to forget the traditional summer school concept in favor of a new type of language camp that is suited to the needs of modern teenagers.

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LANGUAGE CLASSES

Our dynamic teaching team aims to make learning enjoyable. Although lessons are intensive, they are delivered in a relaxed atmosphere, ensuring excellent results in a short period of time.

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INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

With more than 30 different nationalities represented in our camps in 2015, each participant has the opportunity to learn in an international environment and make friends from all over the world.

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DEDICATED STAFF

Our staff is fully dedicated to creating an amazing language experience for the participants. Recruited mainly from Switzerland, France and Great Britain, the staff can speak 10 different languages, including English, French, German, Spanish, Italian and Russian.

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VARIOUS EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Intensive morning classes call for relaxation and recreation in the afternoon. Whether you're interested in sporting activities, visits or workshops, there are plenty of possibilities with our six activity programs.

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THEME NIGHTS

The SLC evening activities are one of the highlights of the camps. Throughout the weeks, our animation team will organize memorable activities such as Mr. and Ms. SLC, Carnival or Casino Nights, and much more. The famous disco night will close the week after the certificate ceremony on Friday evening.

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EXQUISITE LOCATION

Located in the Alps, Leysin is a much sought-after destination for lovers of winter and summer sports. Plenty of activities are offered in the village, which is also well-known for its safe environment.

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FACILITIES

By operating out of the Swiss Hotel Management School campus, SLC has the chance to benefit from modern classrooms, study lounges, coffee shops, cafeteria, sun decks, and much more. The safety of our guests is always a top priority; all buildings comply with legal requirements, and our well-trained staff is available around the clock.

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FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION

Course fees include accommodation in a standard double room. However, single or deluxe rooms are available for an additional fee (see price list). Rooms are cleaned every week, and towels and bed linen changed.

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GREAT FOOD

Delicious breakfast, lunch and dinner buffets are prepared every day by our team of professional chefs. Occasional barbecues and special theme parties offer even greater culinary variety to our guests.

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AFFORDABLE PRICES

Because the facilities are used by the hotel management school during the rest of the year, we are able to offer our high-quality summer programme at an affordable price.

A red-tinted landscape featuring a white square in the center containing the number '10'. The background shows a town with buildings and trees, partially obscured by a thick layer of fog or low clouds. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. The overall color palette is dominated by reds and oranges, with the white square and number providing a stark contrast.

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Language classes



Learning a language is fun ! If you haven't discovered this yet, you will during your stay at SLC.

Our qualified and experienced instructors teach not only in classrooms, but also in the garden, on the panoramic terrace and even on field trips. *"What we learn with pleasure we never forget."*



THE LESSONS

From Day 1, you will feel inspired by the motivating atmosphere – ideal for getting the most out of your learning experience !



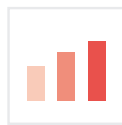
LEARNING FACILITIES

Our study centre boasts brand-new learning facilities. The newly-renovated classrooms feature white-boards, multimedia projectors and TV/video. Our study lounges are perfect for doing homework or group work.



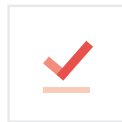
CERTIFICATE

At the end of your stay, you will be presented with a certificate of participation in your SLC course. Displayed in your home, it will be a nice memory of your stay in Switzerland.



CLASS LEVELS

All participants take a placement test on the first day and are subsequently assigned to the appropriate class. If necessary, students can switch to another level within the first two days after consultation with the instructor. We welcome students from beginner to advanced level.



LEARNING SUCCESS

Learning a language requires commitment and motivation. The relaxed learning atmosphere at SLC ensures that it is also a thoroughly enjoyable experience.



INSTRUCTORS

Our dynamic team of native instructors engages students with interesting and interactive lessons. The curriculum, organised into clearly structured units, is taught in a relaxed environment.



TEACHING METHODS

Our instructors work with flexible curricula, enabling them to adapt to the specific needs of each group and diversify their lessons. With approximately 12–13 students per class, SLC participants can receive the personal attention they need.

Where appropriate, instructors supplement their lessons with material such as short movies, newspaper articles and role plays.



CLASS TIMES

Classes are held in the morning from Monday to Friday : four lessons per day, 20 lessons per week.

Sports and leisure



Thirty years' experience of organising summer holiday camps for teenagers and young adults has taught us the right combination of intensive language education and entertaining free-time activities.

Our extensive sports, leisure and excursion programme provides great recreational opportunities, as well as the chance to make new friends from all over the world.

The participants will join one programme per week. For those staying longer than one week, we strongly recommend choosing a different activity programme. After registration, it is possible to change your activity programme up to 15 days before the start of your camp.

Should an activity not be possible due to weather conditions, it will be replaced by a similar activity.



01

ADRENALIN RUSH

The *Adrenalin Rush* activity programme is for students with a passion for the mountains and who are ready for all kinds of excitement!

Monday: Hiking | Difficult route

Tuesday: Canyoning | Rafting

Wednesday: Dirtscoot

Thursday: Adventure Park

Friday: Via Ferrata

Age: 14-18 y.o

Extra fees: CHF 250.-/week



02 DISCOVER SWITZERLAND

This programme allows you discover the French region of Switzerland. It will appeal to students with a lively curiosity, interested in learning more about what makes Switzerland tick.

Monday: Hiking | Intermediate route

Tuesday: Salt Mines in Bex

Wednesday: Glacier 3000

Thursday: Largest underground lake in Europe

Friday: Chillon Castle | Montreux city Tour

Age : 12-18 y.o Extra fees : CHF 125.-/week



03 SWISS CULINARY DELIGHT

Discover the hospitality and culinary highlights of Switzerland! The course will be taught by the professional chefs of the SHMS. Participants will create and refine a cocktail for the closing certificate ceremony. (In English only).

Monday: Understanding the professional kitchen

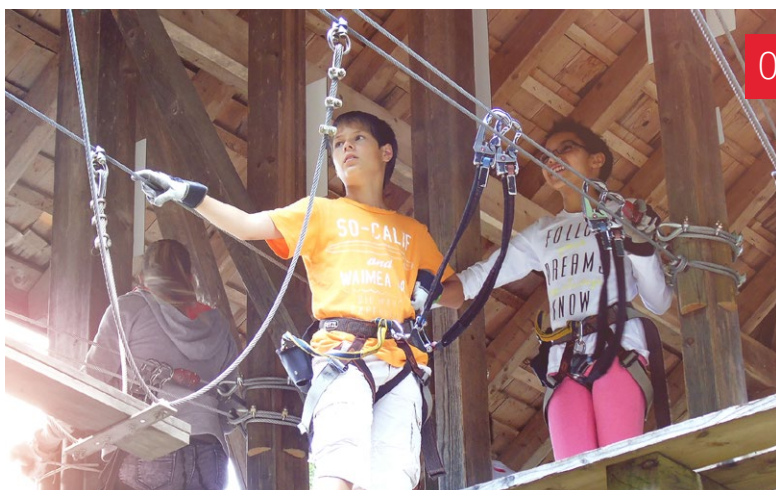
Tuesday: Food museum in Vevey

Wednesday: Let's start with the starters

Thursday: Introduction to pastry delights

Friday: Explore international food

Age : 12-18 y.o Extra fees : CHF 100.-/week



04 FUN AND GAMES

Fun, fun and more fun! This programme integrates all the best leisure activities that Leysin has to offer!

Monday: Hiking | Intermediate route

Tuesday: Aquaparc

Wednesday: Sport Center

Thursday: Adventure Park

Friday: Lasergame and bowling

Age : 12-18 y.o Extra fees : CHF 50.-/week



05 TAKE IT EASY

If you think “holiday” means relaxing and chilling out, this programme is designed for you! Not only will you relax, but you will also have a lot of fun throughout the week!

Monday: Hiking | Easy route

Tuesday: Aquaparc

Wednesday: Minigolf | Outdoor games

Thursday: Shopping in Montreux / Vevey

Friday: Sport Center

Age : 12-18 y.o

Extra fees : CHF 0.-/week



06 FIT AND FAST

“Fit and fast” is the programme adapted to all sports lovers who would like to expend their energy by practicing various sports, such as football, volleyball, basketball, ice skating, tennis, and much more.

Monday: Hiking | Intermediate route

Tuesday: Adventure Park

Wednesday: Sport Center

Thursday: Swimming Pool

Friday: Sport Center

Age : 12-18 y.o

Extra fees : CHF 0.-/week

Excursions



Excursions

Each Saturday, a full day excursion is organised for participants staying for a minimum of two weeks at SLC.

Students will alternately visit the city of Lausanne with its Olympic Museum, the chocolate factory near the typically Swiss village of Gruyères, and the United Nations in the city of Geneva.

OLYMPIC MUSEUM

The *Olympic Museum* in Lausanne houses permanent and temporary exhibits relating to sport and the Olympic movement. With more than 10,000 items on display, the museum is the world's largest archive of the Olympic Games and one of Lausanne's prime tourist sites, attracting more than 250,000 visitors each year. Newly renovated, the museum reopened its doors in December 2013.



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CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Who has not dreamed of visiting a chocolate factory? Enjoy the delicious aroma of chocolate as you walk around the famous Maison Cailler (Nestlé) factory in Broc. Thanks to an interactive guided tour, the mysteries of chocolate-making will be revealed inside this fully operational factory. The visit ends with tastings of Cailler's main products ... and you have the possibility of buying plenty of chocolate souvenirs in the factory shop.



UNITED NATIONS IN GENEVA:

Visit the famous Palais des Nations in Geneva where the United Nations sits. During the visit, you will learn about the history of the United Nations and discover all about this magnificent place where more than 10,000 meetings are organized every year.



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Leysin



Leysin is a popular youth holiday destination in the Vaud Alps, approximately 30 minutes from Montreux and Lake Geneva.

Leysin's active, dynamic atmosphere and its many sports and leisure facilities are just some of the reasons why it is home to so many international schools and colleges. It is also a favourite destination for sports teams and a popular ski resort in winter.

It is a typical Swiss village, known for its safe and peaceful environment.

The campus sits high above Leysin and offers a breathtaking view of this typical Swiss town, the Alps and the valley below.





STUDY CENTRE

SLC courses take place in the former Mont Blanc Palace Hotel and Belvedere Hotel, which was owned by Club Med until 2002 and then purchased and completely renovated in 2004 by the Swiss Education Group (SEG). The town centre and public sport facilities are close by and easily accessible on foot or with a complimentary public bus pass.

FACILITIES

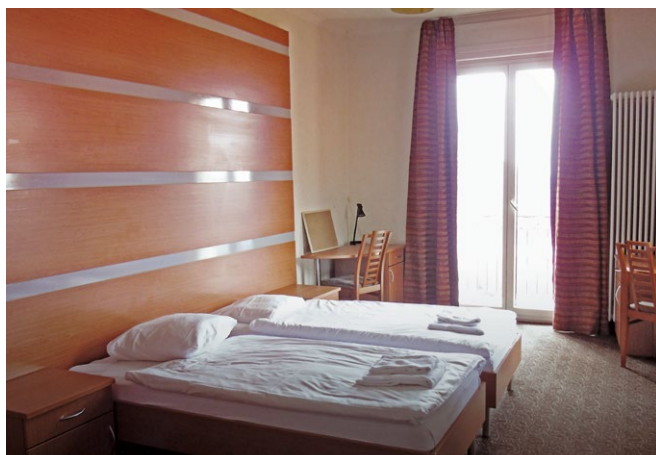
Facilities include modern classrooms, an auditorium, study lounges, a computer room with internet connection, reading lounge, a modern lobby, reception area, our Market Place cafeteria and Coffee Beans cafe, a panoramic terrace, gym, SLC disco, table tennis equipment and wireless internet.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants are housed in standard or deluxe single or double rooms. The standard rooms are included in the course fee, whereas a surcharge is applied for deluxe rooms (see price list). All deluxe rooms have the private bathroom.

SLC LOUNGE

In between activities, students have the opportunity to come and relax in the SLC Lounge, where our staff will welcome them. There they can play board games, tennis table, babyfoot, or watch a movie.



MEALS

An active lifestyle requires healthy, balanced meals. Our chefs have years of experience preparing varied menus that meet the exacting demands of youngsters, while still providing the nutrition they need.

Monday through Friday

Three meals are provided daily from Monday to Friday: breakfast, lunch and dinner. All meals are served in an all-you-can-eat buffet style. A typical buffet includes a selection of salads, main courses, desserts, fruit and drinks.

Saturday and Sunday

Weekends are made for sleeping in! Breakfast and lunch are combined into a single meal - our copious, popular brunch buffet. In the evening, a hearty dinner awaits students in the cafeteria after they return from the day's excursions and activities.

BBQs

For a change of pace, our chefs occasionally organise garden barbecues with a large choice of grilled meats and sausages, as well as a selection of healthy salads, finished off with a delicious dessert buffet and fresh fruit.

SAMPLE DAILY MENU

Breakfast

Cereal - Bread and toast - Cheese and ham - Jam, chocolate spread and butter/margarine - Yogurt, fresh fruit.
Hot chocolate and chocolate milk - Milk - Tea - Coffee - Fruit juice.

Lunch

Assortment of fresh salads with choice of dressing - Grilled prawns with sweet-and-sour sauce - Fried noodles - Mixed vegetable wok - Curry samosa - Selection of fruit juices.

Dessert: Tiramisu - Fresh fruit.

Dinner

Assortment of fresh salads with choice of dressing.

Burger party: Beef, chicken or tofu burgers - Red onion, tomato, pepper jack cheese and fresh lettuce - French fries. Tartare sauce, mayonnaise and ketchup - Selection of fruit juices.

Dessert: Strawberry and vanilla ice Cream - Cookies - Fresh fruit



Weekly programme



Weekly programme (example)

		AFTERNOON				EVENING	
		Adrenalin Rush	Discover Switzerland	Swiss Culinary Delights	Fun and games	Take it easy	Fit and fast
Sun.	-	Arrival or optional sports activities in Leysin				Welcoming night	
Mon.	French English German	Hiking, difficult route	Hiking, intermediate route	Understanding the professional kitchen	Hiking, intermediate route	Hiking, easy route	Games
Tue.	French English German	Canyoning / Rafting	Visit of Salt Mines in Bex	Food museum in Vevey	Aquaparc in Bouveret	Aquaparc in Bouveret	Mr. and Ms. SLC Night
Wed.	French English German	Dirtscot in Leysin	Visit of Glacier 3000 in Les Diablerets	Let's start with the starters	Activities at the sports center	Minigolf and outdoor games	Carnival Night
Thu.	French English German	Adventure Park in Aigle	St. Leonard Lake, largest underground lake in Europe	Introduction to pastry delights	Adventure Park	Shopping in Montreux or Vevey	Movie Night
Fri.	French English German	Via ferrata in Leysin	Chillon Castle and Montreux city Tour	Explore international food	Lasergame and bowling	Activities at the sports center	Certificate Ceremony and Disco night
Sat.	Brunch	Excursion to Chocolate Factory, Olympic Museum or United Nations				Talent Show	



KSENIA SEMENOVA

There were many things that I liked about SLC: comfortable rooms, tasty food, interesting classes..... However what I liked most of all was that the staff members were always ready to help us no matter what!



PHILIP SCHMID

It is the helpfulness of the camp team that makes SLC unique. The team always took care of us. The programme was extremely varied and fun-filled and the motivated teachers helped us to learn a lot.



ANNA KOMARDINA

I really liked and enjoyed staying in the camp. I improved my language skills, had so much fun and met many nice people! Lessons were fascinating and we never got bored.



THEO MASON

I had to speak English or German, which improved my language skills. The sports and evening activities were very funny. The rooms are really nice and the staff members were great.

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