The Language Centre in a nutshell
- Highly qualified international team
- > 9,000 students per year, > 180,000 online
- Courses in 14 languages, more on request
- Individual and group training
- Fast pace, quick results
- Leader in the fields of educational innovation and e-learning
- Language proficiency and intercultural skills
- 30 years of experience

Ready to take on the intercultural challenge?
Thanks to our intercultural training courses, over 2,000 participants were able to pursue their international studies or careers with more self-confidence and cultural sensitivity in 2017. Let the Language Centre help you tackle the intercultural challenge! Our tailor-made courses are relevant and practical, whether you are an (HR-) manager of an international team or responsible for expanding your business abroad.

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Train the trainer
'The benefits of learning from a passionate native English teacher were compelling and inspiring. The English course was engaging, so much so that I feel energized and more confident in my linguistic capabilities. It was also excellent preparation for the Cambridge Advanced level exam. With eight sessions of two hours, my colleagues and I had the opportunity to give short presentations about our field of expertise. During these sessions we engaged in helpful peer-to-peer feedback and received somewhat direct (although crucial in our advancement) comments from the teacher. Overall, the nature of the course was rewarding and hopefully ever-lasting.'

Ignas Dümmer
Lecturer in Wildlife Management, Van Hall Larenstein University of Applied Science

What can we do for you?
- Curious about what a business language course could do for you?
- In need of intercultural teambuilding?
- Need a high-quality translation or correction?

Feel free to contact us!

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Partners:
- International Welcome Centre North (IWCN), Humanitas, Groningen Confucius Institute, DUO, UAF, Osaka University

E-learning
The Language Centre aims for innovation in language teaching. We make optimum use of IT and activating modes of instruction while retaining the crucial interaction between student and teacher. Many of our students follow our language courses from abroad. In 2017, 247 students enrolled in an Online Dutch course at the Language Centre, and our free ‘Introduction to Dutch’ MOOC has already attracted 160,000 students from all over the world.

‘I followed the Japanese 0>1 level course and thoroughly enjoyed it. The class was not too big, which made participation very easy. The Japanese teacher was very enthusiastic, dedicated, and knowledgeable. Aside from teaching us from the book she also told us about daily life in Japan, Japanese manners, and even taught us a bit of Japanese history. These elements certainly enriched the course and made it very worthwhile. I would definitely recommend it!’

Mónica Karem Espinoza Cangahuala

Intensive Dutch for international dentists
‘Contact with the Language Centre was smooth and easy-going right from the start. We wanted to get a group of dentists of different nationalities from B1 to B2 level. They all made considerable progress thanks to an intensive three-week course and were highly satisfied with the way the course was taught. The individual evaluations gave us useful insight into the final attainment level of each participant. We were also provided with individual recommendations for follow-up courses for some of the dentists, who had already started work elsewhere in the country.’

Marlies van der Voo ren
Owner/director Dental Care Professionals