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Junior Summer Courses (Ages 10-15)

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About IP

Every year we bring together more than 3000 students from all over the world in **several European destinations** to learn English, French, Spanish or German. With over 20 years of experience, we have gained an unrivalled insight into what students want from their language courses. Our aim is to combine **proficient language learning** with a great summer holiday experience in an international atmosphere.

Our summer schools are created for young people who want to belong to an **international community**. They are run by our international team dedicated to making their stay an international experience. We choose each of our centres with great care, so students can enjoy their holidays in an exciting and safe summer destination.



About Oberwesel

- Small, historic town on the banks of the river Rhine
- Population 3,200
- Further information: <http://www.oberwesel.de>
- Public transport: not necessary



Local Facilities

- Shopping facilities, train station, bank, post office and supermarkets in the town centre
- Selection of local restaurants, cafés and bars

Town Map



How to get there?

- **By plane:** On the day of arrival our **IP Meet & Greet-Service** will be waiting for you at the customs exit to ensure a safe transfer to the IP centre. On the day of departure we will drop you off at the airport. If you would like to be taken directly to the check-in desk please inquire about our **Unaccompanied Minor Service**. IP Meet & Greet Service and transfer are offered from Frankfurt International and from Frankfurt Hahn Airports (transfer takes one hour).
- **By train:** Oberwesel has its own railway station. The train takes 1.45 hrs from Frankfurt Main station. On your arrival in Oberwesel, we will meet you at the train station. We can also arrange a transfer to/from Koblenz train station for an extra cost.

Please note: transfers are not included in the package!

Centre description – Castle Schönburg

We would like to welcome our students to the old Castle Schönburg!

Treat your kids (10-15 years) to a wonderful time in an old castle overlooking the Rhine Valley! Along with German students of the same age they'll stay in our summer school for juniors located in the "Kolpinghaus auf Schönburg", located just a 15 minute walk away from the town centre and overlooking the Rhine River.

All students will have lessons on campus, with activities taking place on campus and in the surrounding premises as well. During the day students will have access to a wide variety of leisure facilities. Students will eat, sleep, play, study and communicate all in one place.

During peak season we have up to 70 students at the centre. Students come mainly from Germany, France, Spain, Italy and Eastern European countries. The diversity of our group will allow our students to experience a multi-cultural environment using German as the main means of communication. Some activities will also be run in English, as English lessons are also available at the centre.

Various activities are offered on campus. Please see the sample programme for details.

Students are under supervision of our international team (generally one supervisor is responsible for 10 students). Further information about the members of staff and the languages they speak is available before arrival to the course centre.



Location:

- Near the town centre (15 minute walk)
- Overlooking the Rhine
- Bank, Post office, and supermarkets are located in town

Facilities

- Traditional classrooms in the residence, some equipped with TV and Video
- Large dining hall in the residence
- IP Ocean Lounge: meeting point for our students
- Free internet access in the ocean
- Outdoor barbecue area on campus
- Sport facilities for soccer, handball, volleyball and basketball in town (15 minute walk away)
- Table tennis in the residence



Seasonal Contact Details

IP Oberwesel
 Kolpinghaus auf Schönburg
 55430 Oberwesel
 Germany
oberwesel@internationalprojects.com

Emergency phone number (24hrs a day): TBA

Residential Accommodation

- Multi-bed rooms (3-4 bed rooms), a few double rooms Most of the rooms are en-suite (toilet and shower) and a few share toilet and shower
- Room size: 10-20m²
- Every student receive their own key to lock the door
- Big cupboards, not lockable
- Students will share a room with pairs of the same sex. If possible, they will also share a room with students who speak another native language (unless they request to stay with a friend). Please bear in mind that this may not always be practical.
- Damage deposit: 50 €
- Bedding is provided and changed weekly. Students need only bring towels for swimming, as towels in the residence are provided
- Rooms are cleaned daily with the exception of Sundays and bank holidays.
- Public phone is located in the Ocean
- Adaptor plug is necessary for international students.
- No safe, but secure storage of valuables is available.
- Laundry available in town centre
- Our younger students (10-13) are not permitted to leave campus without at least one member of staff.



Meal Plan

All students enjoy a full-board meal service. Vegetarian options offered daily. Gluten-free, lactose-free, Kosher and Halal food available upon request.

- Breakfast: 8.00 – 8.45 (continental breakfast)
- Lunch: 12.30 - 13.30 (warm dishes)
- Dinner: 18.00 - 19.00 (cold and warm dishes)
- Snack: approx: 20:30

Oberwesel Sample Menu 2011

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Satur day	Sunday
Lunch	Semolina-ball soup	Herb soup	Vegetable soup	Potato soup with sausage	Creme of Tomato soup	Packed Lunch	Brunch
	Gyros/Tzazi ki Chips	Meat balls, Boiled potatoes	Spaghetti Bolognese	Puttting	Scrambled eggs Spinach mashed potatoes		
	Ice cream	Puttting	Chocolate Curd		Puttting		
Dinner	Rice pudding with cherries	Cheese & onion muffins	Carrot pancakes	Barbecue	Pizza	Mushroom soup Lasagne Puttting	Tortellini casserole

Lunch & Dinner: salad is served daily

Home Stay Accommodation

- In Oberwesel. Max. 45 minutes by bus from school.
- All hosts respect our strict home stay guidelines and are carefully chosen by our local Welfare Manager
- Students get breakfast, packed-lunch and dinner
- Bedding: provided and changed weekly
- Towels: not provided
- Students can receive phone calls in their private home and public phone booths are in town
- A reasonable amount of laundry is included in the household wash
- In most cases students will share a room with peers of the same sex in twin rooms, however single or triple accommodation is a possibility. Ideally they will also share a room with students speaking another native language (unless they request to stay with a friend), however, please bear in mind, that this may not always be practical
- During peak time it is possible that a maximum of four students from two different nationalities are placed in one home
- Access to the household in the afternoon and evenings
- Hosts assist students with travel between home and IP centre on the first day of school
Students aged 12 and below will receive a transfer from their homestay provider to the center and back if the family lives further away than half a mile walking distance (pick up in the morning / drop off in time for dinner). If a transfer needs to be organized students are not able to participate in the

Lessons

- Take place in the residence
- 6 classrooms, equipped with whiteboards
- **Courses available:** Intensive German or English course (20 lessons per week), One-to-one lessons available upon request.
- All of our courses follow the European Framework of Reference Levels
- **Levels on offer:** Elementary (A1), Lower Intermediate (A2), Intermediate (B1), and Upper Intermediate (B2)
- **Placement Test** on the 1st day at 9.00, class allocation at 11.00.
- Teaching material provided
- **Certificate** at the end of the course
- No more than **15 students** are placed in one group. Generally, they do not share the same native language but are nearly the same age
- **90 % of our teachers are native speakers** and a maximum of 10 % are native level speakers. All of our teachers are qualified, which means either a TEFL qualification or a teaching qualification (PGCE Primary / PGCE Secondary for Modern Languages).
- **Lesson times:** 1st lesson: 9.00-9.45; 2nd lesson: 9.45-10.30; Break: 10.30-11.00; 3rd lesson: 11.00-11.45; 4th lesson: 11.45-12.30.

Supervision

Our friendly and helpful **International Team** with staff members from England, Germany, France, Spain, Russia and other countries will run a fully supervised activity programme and guarantee supervision.

Our supervision ratio depends on the age range of students: for students 12 and younger we follow a ratio of 1:10, for the age group 13 and older we follow the ratio of 1:15. The members of our team have been carefully selected for their responsible and caring attitude, as well as their fun-loving and outgoing personalities. They are the people your students can turn to at any time for assistance.

Our members of staff have been trained in three different sessions totalling ten days of intense preparation for their summer job.

Sample Programme

We offer an exciting and supervised activity programme during the afternoons & evenings, 7 days a week.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	
	9.00-10.30 Lessons	9.00-10.30 Lessons	9.00-10.30 Lessons	9.00-10.30 Lessons	9.00-10.30 Lessons	9.00 – 13.00 Departure	
	10.30-11.00 IP Ocean Lounge	10.30-11.00 IP Ocean Lounge	10.30-11.00 IP Ocean Lounge	10.30-11.00 IP Ocean Lounge	10.30-11.00 IP Ocean Lounge		Brunch 09:00-12:30
	11.00-12.30 Lessons	11.00-12.30 Lessons	11.00-12.30 Lessons	11.00-12.30 Lessons	11.00-12.30 Lessons		
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
	13.30 Assembly	13.30 Assembly	13.30 Assembly	13.30 Assembly	13.30 Assembly	13.30 Assembly	
Afternoon Students can choose between several activities available	14.00-17.00 Town Walk & Town Quiz	14.00-17.00 Workshops		14.00-17.00 Workshops	14.00-17.00 Open Stage Preparation		13.00-18.00 Games on campus or trip to Bacharach, Kaub or another small town
	14.00-18.00 Sports & swimming	14.00-18.00 Sports		14.00-17.00 Workshops	14.00-17.00 Chess or table tennis tournament		
	17.00-18.00 IP Ocean Lounge	17.00-18.00 IP Ocean Lounge		17.00-18.00 IP Ocean Lounge	17.00-18.00 IP Ocean Lounge		
	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner		Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
Evening	20.00-22.00 Open Air (picnic at the Rhine; castle rally)	20.00-22.00 Quiz Night	20.00-22.00 Film Night	20.00-22.00 Castle themed night: Bonfire with barbecue & Knights Tournament	20.00-22.00 IP Open Stage + Farewell Party	20.00-22.00 Games Night	20.00-22.00 Welcome Meeting & Party
Trips 2 HD-trips and 1FD-trip included per fortnight.			14.00-18.00 St. Goar or Rudesheim or Boppard or Bingen			9.00-18.00 Mainz or Trier or Cologne or Cochem or Frankfurt	

Ocean Lounge: focal meeting point for our students

Workshops: Arts and crafts (memory books, friendship bracelets, make-up, etc.), dance, aerobics, health and beauty (massages, essential oils, relaxation, and chill-out sessions, nail painting etc.)

Sports: Volleyball, basketball, badminton, table tennis, soccer

Trip Programme

2 half-day trips and 1 full-day trip included per fortnight. Additional trips can be booked in the centre. Entrance fees are included for excursions!

Half-Day: Bingen

Bingen, famous for its “Mäuseturm”, awaits you! The city of legends and myths offers a variety of historically significant buildings (churches, basilica, and castle) as well as a wonderful view of the Rhine Valley. The small harbour and “Die Rhinekribben” promise an unforgettable experience. We will leave for Bingen around 13.30 and be back at the centre at 18.00.

Half-Day: St.Goar

Enjoy a river cruise and experience the wonderful landscape with its magnificent castles, towers, and small archetypal towns surrounding the river Rhine. We'll start at 14.00 from Oberwesel and head for St. Goar. On the way to St. Goar we will have the opportunity to see the world famous Loreley. In St. Goar itself, we will visit the dominating Rheinfels' Castle. After our tour of the castle, feel free to relax in one of St. Goar's many ice cream parlours. Enjoy a bit to eat or something to drink at a lower altitude. We will be back in Oberwesel around 18.00.

Half-Day: Boppard

Boppard is a city of superlatives. It is located next to the most dramatic river meander in Europe. Over the course of history many tribes have made themselves a home here, including the Celts, Romans, and Gauls. Evidence and mementoes of Boppard's long and remarkable history can be seen everywhere in the town's stones and bricks. Bronze-age graves, ruins of Roman forts/walls, and a middle aged city wall can also be seen. Of course Boppard has a castle, and a number of monasteries and churches. Boppard also has a very pleasant and convenient shopping area just a stone throw away from the train station. So come and join us – we leave the centre at 14.00 and are back in time for dinner.

Full-Day: Mainz

'Golden Mainz' has been the term proudly used to refer to the federal capital since the Middle Ages. More recently Mainz has experienced lots of exciting events. Mainz has plenty to see with its delicately repaired Tudor housing and dramatic baroque churches, which give the historic and original inner-city its charm. Among the more interesting sights are the abundance of churches and countless children friendly museums. Departure for the full day trip will be around 9.00 and the coach will bring us back in time for dinner at 18.00.

Full-Day: Trier

After the departure at 9.00 we will cross the romantic Mosel valley and arrive in Trier. Trier was founded by the Romans over 2000 years ago, and it is one of the oldest cities in Germany. We will visit the “Porta Nigra” and the Roman amphitheatre, as well as Roman Emperor Augustus' thermal baths. Finally, we will take a small train to discover the historic town centre, and enjoy the fun atmosphere in an ice-cream parlour on the Mosel's bank. After we return to the centre around 18.30 we will be able to laugh and share the experiences of the day.

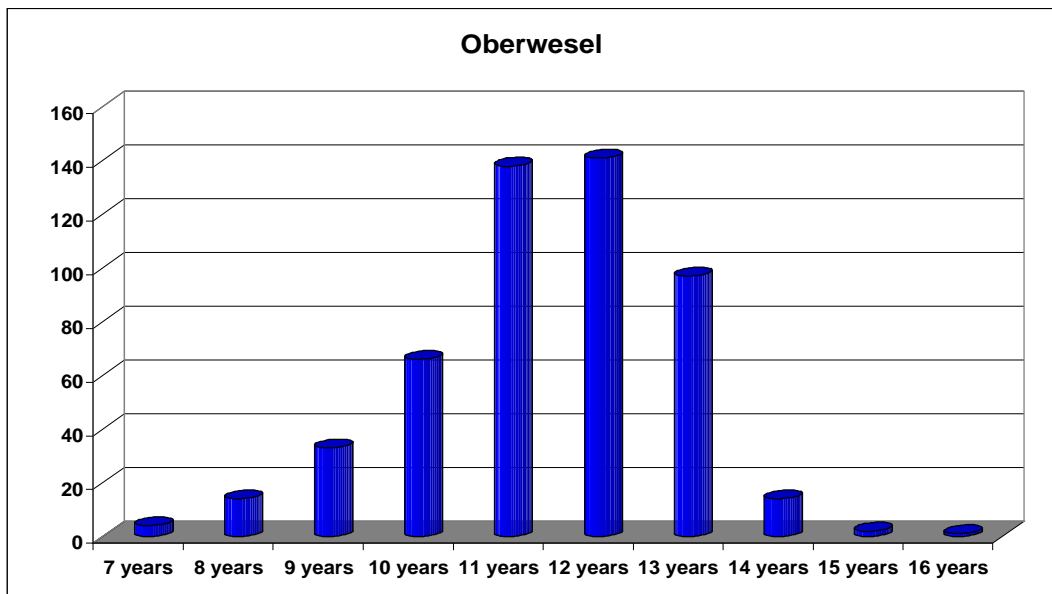
Full-Day: Cologne

Cologne is Germany's fourth biggest city, and definitely worth a visit! So join us for this full day trip, departure around 9.00. We will visit the world famous Cologne Cathedral, the historic town centre, and take a stroll along the banks of the river Rhine. Those who are interested can climb the 500 steps and reach the top of the cathedral's tower. In the afternoon, we will visit the Cologne Zoo and the Chocolate Museum. We will return to the centre at 18.30.

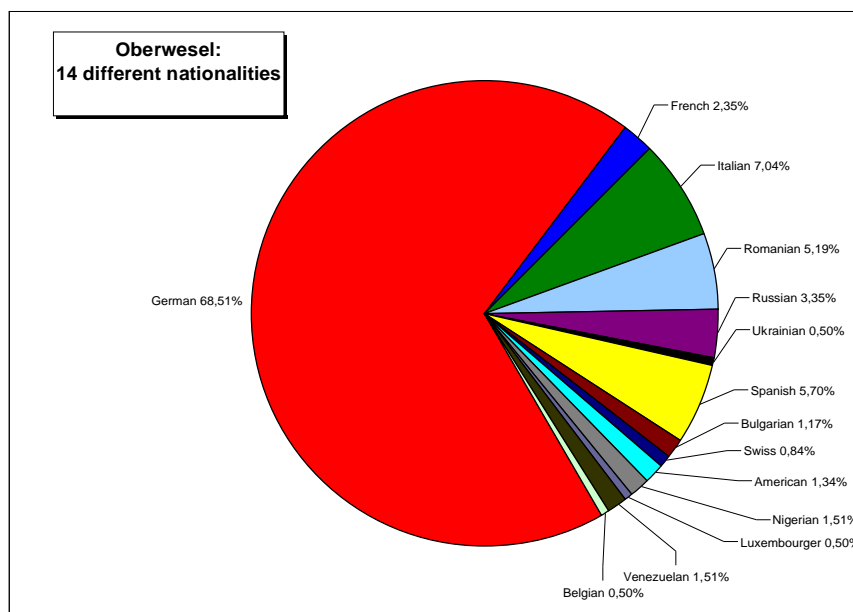
Full-Day: Cochem

High over Cochem on the Mosel, you will find Germany's finest conserved medieval castle, Cochem Castle. A cable car will take us up to the castle, where we will have a guided tour covering the last 1000 years of German history. Later on we will take a walk through Cochem's historical city centre, where you can stroll through its fascinating shops, or simply enjoy an ice cream in one of the vineyard's cafés. Departure will be at 9.00 and we will return to the centre at 18.30.

Students 2011 – Ages



Students 2011 – Nationalities



International Projects' Rules and Regulations for Students

- **Alcohol and drugs** The consumption of alcohol and drugs is strictly forbidden. Law prohibits young people under the age of 18 to buy or consume alcohol in Germany.
- **Pubs, Discos and Amusements** Young people under the age of 16 are not allowed to enter pubs in Germany. Students 16 years of age are allowed to be in a pub until 21.30 but are only able to buy and consume soft drinks. Visiting pubs is only advisable if you are accompanied by a member of staff, a group leader, or your home stay host. Discos / Nightclubs and amusement arcades are strictly out of bounds for all students under 18 years of age.
- **Smoking** It is illegal for young people under the age of 18 to buy and smoke cigarettes at all destinations.
- **Theft** Shoplifters and thieves are always prosecuted in Germany irrespective of the value of the stolen article.
- **Weapons and dangerous articles** All weapons (including flick-knives) are forbidden. CS gas is also illegal.
- **Fire Extinguishers** Fire extinguishers are located throughout the centres and their buildings. These are for emergency use only. If a fire extinguisher is tampered in ANY way, students will be fined for its misuse.
- **Going Out** Students are allowed to go out in the evenings in groups with a minimum of 3 students pending the Centre Manager's permission. They must adhere to the following laws and be back in the residence or with their private host by: Ages 13 & 14: 22h00, 15 & older: 24h00. If you are going to be late please call your host or centre office in order to ensure that we know where you are and do not have to look for you. The above times do not apply when students are involved in an organised evening activity. **This rule does not apply to students under the age of 13 since they have to be supervised at all times.**
- **Leaving the Campus / College grounds/ Arranging their own excursion** Students under the age of 17 are not allowed to leave the destination town or village unless they are accompanied by a member of staff.
- **Doors** Entrance doors to the residences **must not** be kept open. This is for your own safety. Theft can and does occur, careless security on your part will place yourself and your belongings at risk.
- **Compulsory Activities** All lessons along with the daily morning assembly must be attended.
- **Damage** Incidences of damage to property and buildings caused by misuse or vandalism will be dealt with severely. Students will have to pay for ALL damages.
- **Private** Doors which are marked by "Private" signs are not to be opened. Some private areas will be unlocked for fire safety, although the entrance is forbidden.
- **Noise** Students are asked to respect those around them and to keep noise to a minimum when returning to their residences, or private homes late in the evening. Social areas in the residences may be used after the evening activity finishes, but students should be in their rooms by 22.00. Students are not allowed to congregate outside residences late in the evening. Many centres are located in residential areas – please be considerate of those who live close by.
- **Mobiles** The use of mobile telephones during lesson time, lunch, and activities is strictly prohibited. Failure to comply with this may result in staff confiscating your mobile phone. IP staff does not accept any responsibility for the loss or damage of mobile phones.
- **Swimming** in the Rhine is allowed on the condition that your parents have not specified otherwise. Swimming in the Rhine however is not an arranged IP activity, and therefore IP staff cannot be held responsible for student safety.
- **Internationalism** International Projects' aim is to bring young people from all over the world together in an environment where they can meet friends and have fun. Racist or sexist behaviour towards other students will not be tolerated.

Parental Permission

We guarantee that our qualified staff will supervise all elements of the IP programme. However, for some of the additional activities like diving, sailing, surfing, riding a bike and horse riding we contract local suppliers to take part in these activities, and require permission for your child to participate. The same applies for activities undertaken by your son/daughter on his/her own outside the IP programme. Please complete the form below in order to **Stop** your child from taking part in any of the following activities:

- My son/daughter is allowed to dive, sail, surf, ride a bike, ride a horse. (Please specify)
- My son/daughter is allowed to be in town on his / her own after(please specify).
- My son/daughter is allowed to swim in the sea at their own risk.
- In case of hospitalisation, I authorize the legal representative of IP to take all necessary decisions (medical treatments, hospitalisation, surgery) regarding my child in respect of the medical report and will reimburse all medical expenses that could possibly be engaged by IP for my child.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED.....(First name).....(Surname)
PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF:

First name.....Surname.....Date of birth.....

Staying in Arrival Date:

DO NOT want my child to take part in the activities mentioned in points 1 - 4 (please ignore if not applicable)

DATE:.....SIGNATURE:

PLEASE NOTE: THIS AUTHORIZATION HAS TO BE RETURNED TO THE IP OFFICE IN BREMEN ONE WEEK BEFORE ARRIVAL.

If the Parental Permission form is not returned, IP assumes that the parents agree to the set standards and procedures which govern our language holidays, and which are based on the laws of the destination country.