- The University of Jena offers academic teacher education (teacher training) qualifying students to become teachers on a lower and intermediate secondary school (LISS) and grammar school (GS) level. The standard length of study is 9 to 10 semesters, including a compulsory practical semester.
- The teacher training programme is comprised of two academic subjects and educational sciences. Upon completing their studies, students undertake the first state examination (*Erstes Staatsexamen*) equivalent to a Master's degree.
- The practical semester usually takes place during the students' 5th or 6th semester. The subsequent modules of study will build upon the knowledge and experience gained in this semester.
- The practical semester is accompanied by four university modules (five seminars) amounting to a total of 30 ECTS credits.

Academic subject combinations that can be studied at the University of Jena

	Biology (LISS/GS)	Chemistry (LISS/GS)	German (LISS/GS)	English (LISS/GS)	Ethics/Philosophy (LISS/GS)	French (LISS/GS)	Geography (LISS/GS)	History (LISS/GS)	Greek (GS)	Computer Science (LISS/GS)	Art Education (GS)	Latin (GS)	Mathematics (LISS/GS)	Music (GS)	Physics (LISS/GS)	Protestant Rel. Education (LISS/GS)	Catholic Rel. Education (LISS/GS)	Russian (LISS/GS)	Social Science (LISS/GS)	Spanish (GS)	Physical Education (LISS/GS)	Economics/ Law (GS)
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What we would like the school to offer:

- To ensure that both subjects can be taught accompanied and/or supported by a teacher.
- Depending on the school's resources: support from a mentor at the school (subject-related or non-subject-related) whom the intern can turn to in confidence.

All legal, insurance, and organizational matters are managed by the university and/or the outgoing students.

Requirements for the recognition of the practical semester by the university:

- Duration: One school semester or at least 16 weeks of school experience with a minimum of 5 hours of student attendance daily on at least 4 days of the week (not including vacations/holidays).
- Objective: Familiarization with everyday school life in all its aspects (including participation in class trips, projects, excursions, parents' evenings; establishment of study groups, etc.)
- Observation: at least 40 hours per subject
- Teaching Experience: at least 20 hours or partial hours
- Language subjects: Students
 - must teach French, Greek, Latin, Russian, Spanish as foreign languages.
 - can teach English as a native language.
 - can teach German as a Foreign Language instead of German or a native language.
- At the end: joint reflection on internship, confirmation of internship duration (form) with absences (if applicable); no grade evaluation.

The way the students are accompanied by the university:

- Within the framework of four modules (five accompanying seminars):
 - Teaching methods in subject 1 (5 LP)
 - Teaching methods in subject 2 (5 LP)
 - School Psychology "Teacher practice in the classroom" und Pedagogical Psychology "individual support in class" (10 LP)
 - Introduction to professional school contexts and practical part (10 LP)
- Students attend some of the modules before the practical semester and have completed at least the 4th semester of study at the beginning of the practical semester.
 This means that they are well prepared and enter school with a sound knowledge base.
- During the practical semester at a school, the students receive work assignments that they are supposed to work on. For this purpose, they remain in contact with their supervisors at the University of Jena.

What students from Jena can offer your school:

- Sound pedagogical, methodological, didactical, and subject content knowledge.
- A strong commitment to involvement in school, extracurricular projects, events, etc.
- Support in German as a Foreign Language and conveying a young, engaging image of Germany.
- Bilingual teaching provided that the student possesses the language skills required.
- Motivation to engage in a meaningful exchange with teachers about education, school, and the teaching profession.
- A keen interest in exploring other countries, cultures, and educational systems.