

TANDEM LEARNING

Tandem Learning is an exchange between one Italian native speaker and one native speaker of a different language which enables both to improve their language skills through conversation or other forms of communication. The University of Bari Linguistic Centre offers "Face-to-face Tandem Learning". Students participating in the initiative have the opportunity to meet each other personally.

Reasons to participate

- o useful: it is a chance to improve your speaking skills.
- o informative: it provides a means to get to know a different culture from your own.
- o enjoyable: it is good fun!

Who can participate?

Students who are registered at the University of Bari Aldo Moro; students on exchange programmes. Tandem Project is <u>free of charge</u>.

How does it work?

The University of Bari Linguistic Centre will pair up tandem partners based on the applications received, taking into account the order in which applications are sent in and the age of the participants.

It is not always possible to allocate a tandem partner to all those who apply for one. This depends on how many foreign students who speak the required language get involved.

Anyone who does not receive a partner is free to apply again the following semester; they will, however, have to fill in the application form again.

Meetings take place at the Linguistic Centre twice a week, taking into account the partners' needs. During your meetings you should spend an equal amount of time on each language. This is not a teacher-student type relationship but an exchange between peers in order to practice using the language in "real life".

Tandem partners keep track of their meetings by using a DIARY, making a note of their aims and of the progress made during each meeting. Once your semester of Tandem Learning is over, you must hand in your diary to the administration offices at the Linguistic Centre. You will then be given a certificate saying you participated in the project.

How do I apply?

To apply for Tandem Learning you have to fill in an <u>application form</u> (starting **from 16/09/2019**), with your personal details and send it to: <u>centro.linguistico@uniba.it</u> together with a copy of your identity card.