DEGGENDORF INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

HEROES SUMMER SCHOOL 2026

MIND THE SKILL-GAP

FUTURE SKILLS SUMMER SCHOOL

PLACE:	**Deggendorf Institute of Technology, Germany (Dieter-Görlitz-Platz 1, 94469 Deggendorf)**
DATE:	**27 July – 1 August 2026**
FUNDING:	**Full programme + travel costs + housing (hotel incl. Breakfast) + lunch + dinner on Monday**
LANGUAGE:	**fully taught in English**

APPLICATION and DEADLINE

- Please submit your application using the following link
- Application requirements: CV, estimated travel costs, essay on "**how Future Skills empower young people to shape a better society"**
- Application deadline: 10 May 2026 (application start: 13 April 2026)
- Feedback will be given by the 15 May 2026
- Only 16 students will be accepted

FUNDING

- Participation in the complete programme
- travel costs (up to 550€), accommodation at a hotel including breakfast (from 27 July – 01 August 2026)
- food and beverages during coffee breaks, lunch (except for the last day), dinner on Monday
- bus trip to Regensburg
- dinner is not covered (expect on Monday), nor are any additional requirements apart from the above-mentioned

A certificate and 2 – 3 ECTS points (to be clarified) can be awarded upon confirmation of 100% attendance and completion of all assignments.

Contact: heroes@th-deg.de

Programme?
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MONDAY, 27 JULY		
Start: 13.00h	Registration, small lunch	I002, Innovation Lab
14.00h	Welcome by Vice President for Internationalisation Prof. Dr. Martina Heigl-Murauer	I002, Innovation Lab
14.15h	Campus Tour	
15.00h	Teambuilding	I002, Innovation Lab
16.00h	Coffee break	
16.15h	your Future Skills Map	I002, Innovation Lab
18.30h	Dinner	Hotel Höttl

TUESDAY, 28 JULY **Niclas Drechsler**, Certified Positive Psychology Consultant, Mental Coach, Alumnus DIT		
08.45h	**Flourishing in Complexity** Systemic thinking & flourishing in complexity	I006
10.45h	Walk & Talk, Coffee Break	
11.15h	Flourishing in Complexity: Strength-based approaches and psychological safety as exemplary concepts	I006
12.30h	Lunch	Mensa
13.30h	**Self-Leadership under Ambiguity** Strength & values: Clarity on your own values Dealing with ambiguity	I006
15.15h	Coffee break, group interactions	
16.00h	Closing: Feedback methods and wrap-up	I006
16.30h	official end of day walking City tour (optional)	Deggendorf City Centre

WEDNESDAY, 29 JULY **Jörg Schröder**, Business & Life Coach, Alumnus DIT		
08.45h	**Impact Communication & Leadership** Establishing clear communication Making complex ideas understandable	I002, Innovation Lab
10.30h	Coffee break	
10.45h	The art of negotiation Influence without power	I002, Innovation Lab
12.30h	Lunch	Mensa
13.30h	**Stakeholder Leadership** Stakeholder management – project scenario Empowering people – 5 key characteristics	I002, Innovation Lab
15.30h	Coffee break	
15.45h	Decision communication – convince and motivate	I002, Innovation Lab
16.30h	official end of day trip to Danube Shore (optional)	

THURSDAY, 30 JULY:		
07.50h	Bus-Trip to Regensburg	
09.00h	Round Tour at a company (tba)	
12.30h	Lunch	
14.00h	House of Bavarian History (museum)	
16.00h	Visit Regensburg, self-guided	
19.00h	Trip back to Deggendorf – Arrival 19.45h in front of DIT	

FIRDAY, 31 JULY **Thomas Dannerbauer**, Systemic Coach, Alumnus DIT		
08.45h	**From Creativity to Strategy** Introduction to various Creativity tools	I002, Innovation Lab
10.30h	Coffee break	
10.45h	Closer look & Showcase of the Walt Disney Method	I002, Innovation Lab
12.30h	Lunch	Mensa
13.15h	Practising the Walt Disney Method with real life problems: building 5 teams and creating the topic	I002, Innovation Lab
14.30h	Coffee break	
15.00h	Performance of all five teams/ topics with Walt Disney Method	I002, Innovation Lab
17.00h	official end of day	

SATURDAY, 01 AUGUST		
10.00h	Exams	I002, Innovation Lab
11.30h	digital and anonymous evaluation of the summer school	I002, Innovation Lab
12.00h	official end of programme and farewell	

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