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n.

1. A teacher or lecturer at some universities who is not a regular faculty member.
2. A lecturer or tour guide in a museum or cathedral.

[German *Dozent*, from Latin *docēns*, *docent-*, present participle of *docēre*, to teach; see **dek-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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