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Study in Germany

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What is DAAD?

- German national agency for international academic cooperation and exchange (242 member universities and 104 student bodies)
Self-governing
 - Stipends for foreigners
 - Stipends for Germans
 - Internationalization of higher education institutions
 - Promotion of German studies and German language
 - Support of developing countries to improve education
 - Support for prospective students in Germany
- About 130,000 people supported annually

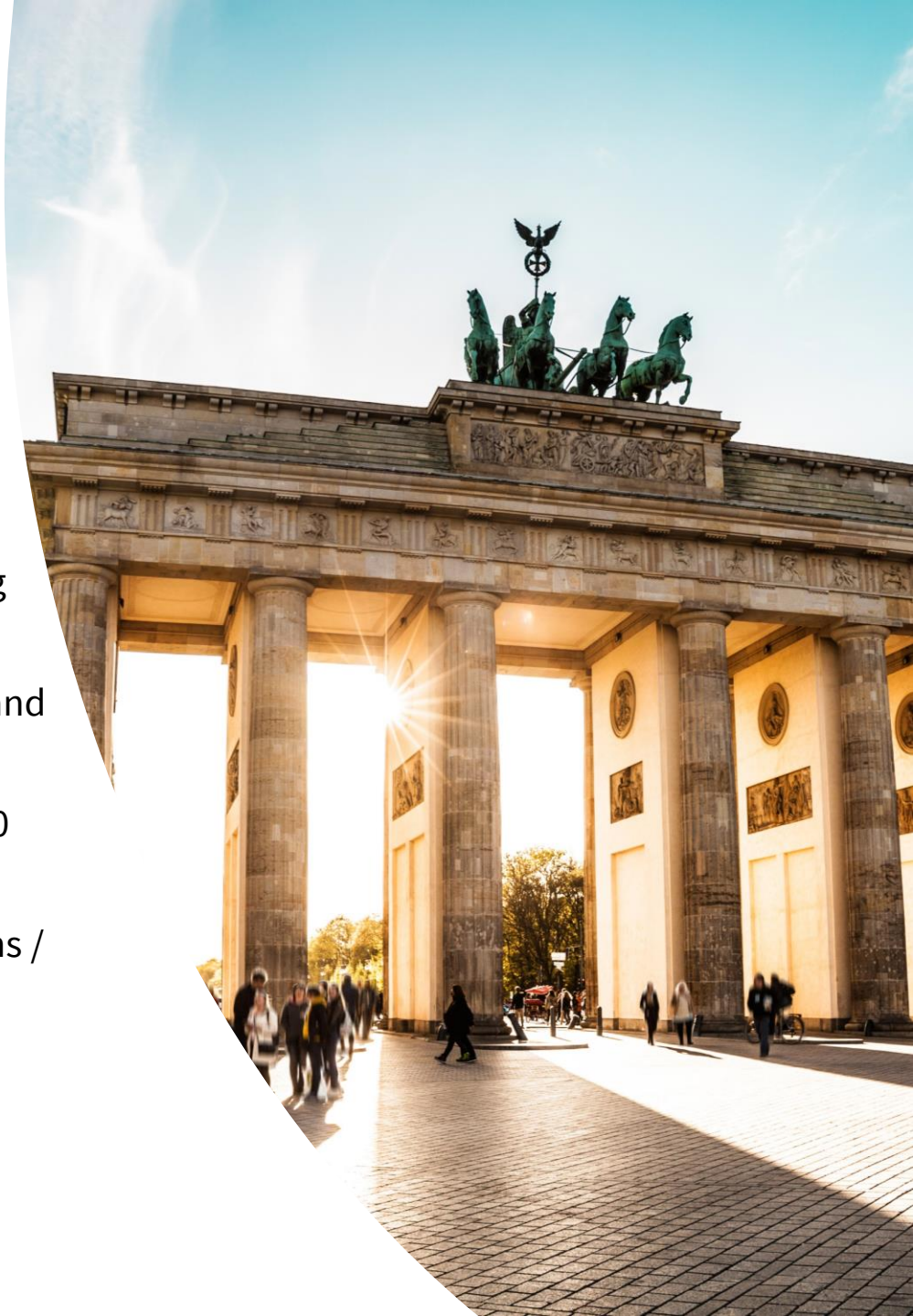


Why Germany? Because ...

- ... Germany has high academic and living standards at a reasonable cost
- ...Germany offers an outstanding study and research infrastructure
- ...Germany is home to more than 300,000 international university students
- ...Germany offers 21.000 degree programs / 2100+ International Programs
- ...German degrees are internationally recognized



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US and German Universities – What to expect



United States

1. Tuition fees
2. Campus community
3. Student housing
4. University sports important
5. A lot of advisor support

Germany

1. No Tuition fees – only service fees (for EU nationals and *Bildungsinländer*)*
2. Campus decentralized in most cities
3. Less on-campus student housing
4. Sports only as clubs, often no sports teams, no university gym
5. Students expected to be independent



For most public universities; €1500 tuition fees per semester for international students in Baden-Wuerttemberg; individuals with EU passport are exempt.

~ 400
universities

Types of Higher Education Institutions

Universities & Technical Universities (BA, MA, PhD, <i>Staatsexamen</i> , <i>Habilitation</i>)	121
Fachhochschulen [Universities of Applied Sciences & Universities of Applied Economics] (BA, MA, few offer PhD)	211
Music, Art- and Film Higher Education Institutions (BA, MA, PhD)	57
Other	5

Public	Religious	Private
240	39	119



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Duales Studium - Cooperative work- study degree program

- Combines academic study with elements of vocational training or professional practice
- Cooperative work-study degree programs = usually the same length as full-time degree
- Cooperative work-study degree programs available in all states, various fields, about 2000 participating companies.



Duale Studiengänge im Überblick

...al studieren? Hier gibt es den großen Überblick über duale Studiengänge. Wir li...
raussetzungen, Gehalt und Karriere der einzelnen Studiengänge. Dazu listen wi...
rschulen, Unternehmen und freien Studienplätze. Finde jetzt dein duales Studi...



n &
gänge, z.B.



Ingenieurwesen & Technik
24 duale Studiengänge, z.B.



Informatik & IT
8 duale Studiengänge

What degrees can you earn in Germany?

- Bachelor's (B.A., B.Sc., Bachelor of Engineering, etc.) – 3-4
- Master's (M.A., M.Sc., Master of Engineering, etc.) – 1-2
- State examination (for: doctor, lawyer, teacher or pharmacist)
- Doctorate (PhD)
 - Independent PhD – time to PhD varies
 - Graduate School – 3 years

Academic year:

- Winter Semester: 1st of October - 31st of March
- Summer Semester: April 1 - September 30



Study? Yes! But what? ...

The screenshot shows the ZEIT Campus website interface. At the top, the logo 'ZEIT Campus' is on the left, and navigation links 'ZEIT ONLINE', 'Abo', 'Mehr', and 'Anmelden' are on the right. Below this is a dark navigation bar with categories: 'THEMEN', 'JUNG UND LINKS', 'LIEBE & SEX', 'JUNG UND KONSERVATIV', 'WAS SOLL ICH STUDIEREN?' (highlighted with a dropdown arrow), and 'WELCHER BERUF PASST ZU MIR?' (also with a dropdown arrow). A large advertisement banner for Vistaprint is displayed, featuring a '50% OFF any one item' offer and a 'Shop now' button. Below the ad, the article title 'WAS SOLL ICH STUDIEREN' is visible. The article header includes links for 'Für Hochschulen', 'Interessenprofil', 'Passende Studiengänge', and 'Merkliste'. The main content area has a background image of a field at sunset. A large black box contains the title 'WAS SOLL ICH STUDIEREN'. Below it is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Welchen Studiengang oder Hochschulort suchst du?' and a 'Suchen' button.

ZEIT Campus

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Für Hochschulen | Interessenprofil Passende Studiengänge Merkliste

WAS SOLL ICH STUDIEREN

Welchen Studiengang oder Hochschulort suchst du? Suchen

<https://studiengaenge.zeit.de/artikel/was-soll-ich-studieren.html>

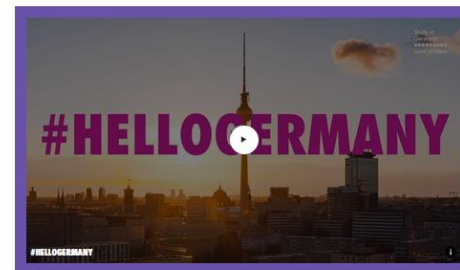
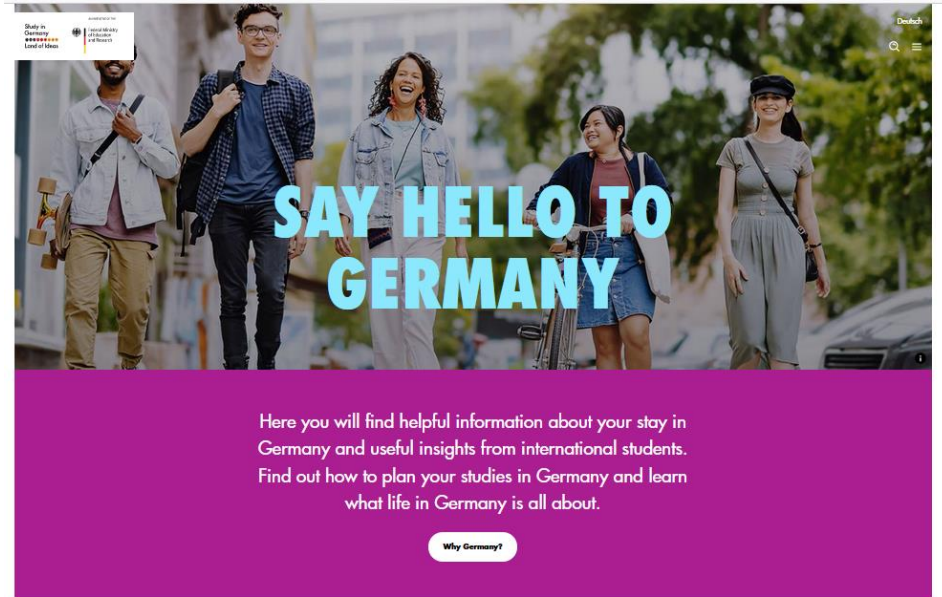
Information on Studying in Germany

- Plan your studies
- Find a degree program
- Prepare your stay
- Discover university cities



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www.study-in-germany.de



How to find the right program

- Searchable database of all programs taught at German universities
www.higher-education-compass.de
- Searchable database of all programs taught at German universities
<http://www.wegweiser-duales-studium.de/duale-studiengaenge/>
- International Graduate Schools
www.daad.de/international-programmes
- For Bachelor and Master programs
Program rankings from Center for Higher Education Development
www.university-ranking.de | <https://ranking.zeit.de/che/en/>
- General information about study and research in Germany
www.Study-in-Germany.de
www.Research-in-Germany.org

Bildungsinländer vs. Bildungsausländer – domestic vs. foreign student:

- „Bildungsinländer“ with German Abitur
- „Bildungsausländer“ with non-German degree

Where to apply? (check university website for details)

- Bildungsinländer: University
- Bildungsausländer: www.uni-assist.de (application fee 75€ for evaluation plus 1 university application; every additional application same semester 30€) – **send application at least 8 weeks prior to deadline!**
- www.hochschulstart.de (for medical fields and certain fields of studies at some universities)

Requirements for Bildungsinländer

Abitur

- Course requirements
- Language requirements



Eligible for direct admission to
any German higher education
institution



Apply as Bildungsinländer



Course Requirements for Bildungsausländer*

Source: <http://anabin.kmk.org/> & www.daad.de

High School Diploma

Condition:

It is obligatory for your High School Diploma*) to be acquired after continuous attendance of the classes 9 to 12 at a US High School and to comprise a total of 16 "academic units" in the forms 9 to 12:

- 4 units (3 units are sufficient for 11 forms) English with a minimum grade C: English IV or Honors or AP English,
- 2 units Second Language,
- 3 units Social Studies,
- 5 units in total Mathematics and Science:
 - 2 or 3 units Mathematics with a minimum grade C: Algebra II or Trigonometry and Precalculus,
 - 2 or 3 units Science with a minimum grade C: Biology, Chemistry or Physics,
 - 2 academic units free to choose.

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Feststellungs-
prüfung

or

2 years at a
college

or

Associate
Degree

or

Advanced
Placement (AP)

General admission

Field specific admission

Feststellungsprüfung

- Studienkolleg courses are offered for various subject areas. The Studienkolleg ends with the university qualification exam, called "Feststellungsprüfung". More at www.studienkollegs.de/home.html
- The “Feststellungsprüfung” assesses the qualification of international student applicants for entering studies at universities in the Federal Republic of Germany.
- In some Studienkollegs, you may take the "Feststellungsprüfung" without having attended the Studienkolleg ("externe Feststellungsprüfung")
- Please note:
 - Passing the exam provides you with a subject-restricted university entrance qualification ("fachgebundene HZB").
 - Both "Universitäten" (universities) and "Fachhochschulen" (universities of applied sciences) offer Studienkollegs. A university qualification exam by a "Fachhochschule" only qualifies you to study only at a "Fachhochschule." A university qualification exam by a "Universität" qualifies you to study at both types of universities.



Advanced Placements (AP) – Option 1

In order to be eligible to apply for field specific admission for degree programs in **Math, Medicine, Natural Sciences, Pharmacology or Technology**, students must provide the following:

High School Diploma **AND**

4 Advanced-Placement exams with at least grade 3.0 in:

- Mathematics (AP Calculus AB or BC)
- Natural Sciences (AP Biology, AP Chemistry or AP Physics)
- Language (Foreign languages, such as AP French, AP Spanish, AP Latin or AP German **OR** English, such as AP English Literature or AP English Language and Composition)
- 1 additional AP subject (e.g. AP European History, AP American History, AP Computer Science, etc.)



Advanced Placements (AP) – Option 2

In order to be eligible to apply for field specific admission for degree programs in **Humanities, Social Sciences, Law or Economics/Business**, students must provide the following:

High School Diploma **AND**

4 Advanced-Placement exams with at least grade 3.0 in:

- English AP (AP English Literature or AP English Language and Composition)
- Foreign Language (e.g. AP French or AP Spanish or AP Latin or AP German)
- Math OR Natural Sciences (AP Calculus AB or BC, or AP Biology or AP Chemistry or two half AP Physics C)
- One additional AP course (e.g. AP European History, AP American History, AP Computer Science, etc.)



Language Requirements*

■ One of the following:

- Deutsche Sprachdiplom der Kultusministerkonferenz (DSD II)
- Zentrale Oberstufenprüfung (ZOP)
- Große Deutsches Sprachdiplom (GDS),
- TestDaF-Niveaustufe 4 (TDN 4)
- Goethe C2 certificate

*Please note: This is just a *guide* about what is needed to attend a German institution of higher education and should not be taken as a guarantee. Each degree program may have its own individual requirements, especially in the cases of art/music/film/architecture. Each degree program is responsible for selection of its own student body and prerequisites may vary by institution and degree program. Please verify requirements for each university and program.

What if you don't meet all requirements?

Studienkolleg

If you have earned a school leaving certificate which entitles you to go to university in your home country, which is, not recognized as a higher education entrance qualification (Hochschulzugangsberechtigung, HZB) in Germany, you must attend a Studienkolleg before you commence your studies in Germany.

Price: No tuition fees at public Studienkollegs

List of Studienkollegs with field specialization

<https://www.studienkollegs.de/Studienkollegs.html>

Studienbrücke prepares students from abroad wishing to embark directly on a course of study in Germany.

Studienbrücke partner universities offer successful program participants a courses in the STEM subjects and economics, making a certain number of places available for them each year.

Price: check local Goethe Institut

www.goethe.de/en/spr/eng/stb/stu.html

Studienkollegs in Deutschland

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© Bauhaus-Universität Weimar

What documents to submit?*

(Please check universities for additional requirements)

Required:

- Application form
- Official copy of Abitur or high school diploma (translation may not necessary)
- Official copy of transcripts (translation may not necessary)
- Language certificate (only for degree programs in German)

Maybe required:

Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Work placements/ work experience

Required for Art/Music:

Portfolio

*Please check university website for details.

Studying/Living in Germany: What does it cost?

- Tuition-free programs at public universities*
- Semester fee: about €150-300/ semester – often includes public transportation pass
- Average costs of living €700-1000/ month
- Student discounts e.g.:
 - Health care
 - University cafeteria
 - Museums, theatre, sights



Find a student residence hall

Information, addresses and application details on a large selection of student residence halls in Germany



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Location *

Berlin

University *

Freie Universität Berlin

Are you... *

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33 Student residence halls

Sort by Student residence hall

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Theodor-Heuss-Platz 5	66 Places	>
14052 Berlin	270 up to 360 EUR / month	
Wohnheim Allee der Kosmonauten		
Allee der Kosmonauten 20	345 Places	>
10315 Berlin	165 up to 230 EUR / month	
Wohnheim Aristotelessteig		
Aristotelessteig 2/6/10	905 Places	>
10318 Berlin	165 up to 550 EUR / month	

Shared housing: www.wg-gesucht.de, www.studenten-wg.de, www.wgfinden.de and www.wg-cast.de

Apartments: www.immobilienscout24.de, www.immowelt.de and www.immonet.de

Funding

Political Organizations

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung

Friedrich Naumann Stiftung

Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

Heinrich Böll Stiftung

Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung

Religious Organizations

Cusanuswerk

Evangelischen Studienwerk e.V. Villigst

Ernst-Ludwig-Ehrlich Studienwerk

Other

- Deutsche Bundesstiftung Umwelt
- Otto Benecke Stiftung e.V.
- Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes
- Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft
- Hans-Böckler-Stiftung



www.bafög.de/

Bundesausbildungsförderungs-gesetz
(only for German citizens)

[Examples for BAföG](#)



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DAAD Scholarships & Grants - for students studying in the US

www.funding-guide.de

Funding Opportunities for students studying in the US:

Undergraduates

Study

- University Summer Course Grant
- German Studies Grant

Intern

- RISE (Research Internships in Science & Engineering)
- (EMGIB – internship at the Bundestag)

Graduates

Study

- Study Scholarship
- Research Grants
- University Summer Course Grant
- German Studies Grant

Intern

- RISE professional
- EMGIB – internship at the Bundestag



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Links

Studying in German, fields of study, scholarships: www.study-in.de;
www.daad.de

Which university, what field of studies? www.hochschulkompass.de

Stipends guide: www.funding-guide.de

International Programs (in English): www.daad.de/international-programmes

Summer courses at universities: www.daad.de/sommerkurse

CBYX (language, study, intern): <https://www.cbyx.info/>

University ranking: <https://ranking.zeit.de/che/en/>

Applying through Uni-assist: www.uni-assist.de

Student services: www.studentenwerk.de

DAAD US grants: www.daad.org





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