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# Applying for a residence permit for the purpose of studying

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Leistungsschlüssel	99010019001004, 99010019001004
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Applying for a residence permit for the purpose of studying
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Typisierung	2/3b - Bund: Regelung, Land: Ausführungsvorschriften, Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Mecklenburg-Vorpommern
Freigabestatus Katalog	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	Aufenthaltstitel (010)
Verrichtungskennung	Erteilung (001)
SDG-Informationsbereich	Anforderungen in Bezug auf Aufenthaltskarten für Unionsbürger und ihre Familienmitglieder,

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	einschließlich Familienmitglieder, die keine Unionsbürger sind
Lagen Portalverbund	
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	20.06.2023
Fachlich freigegeben durch	Ministry of the Interior, Building and Digitalization Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania
Handlungsgrundlage	<a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_16b.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_16b.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_16b.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_16b.html</a>
Teaser	You can obtain a residence permit if you meet certain requirements.
Volltext	<p>You can obtain a residence permit for the purpose of studying if you wish to study in Germany and have been admitted to a state-recognized university or comparable educational institution in Germany. The course of study must be full-time.</p> <p>The purpose of the study program also includes preparatory study measures. Study preparation measures are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• attending a preparatory language course if you have already been admitted to university and admission is conditional on attending a preparatory course, and</li> <li>• attending a preparatory college or a comparable institution if a place is certain to be available.</li> </ul> <p>The residence permit for the purpose of studying is a temporary residence permit. It is issued for a minimum of one year and generally for a maximum of two years or for the duration of the course of study if it lasts less than two years.</p> <p>If the foreigner is participating in an EU or multilateral program with mobility measures (e.g. ERASMUS+ program of the European Union) or if an agreement</p>

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between two or more higher education institutions applies to the foreigner, the residence permit is issued for at least two years or for the duration of the course of study if the course of study lasts less than two years.

You may use your residence permit to work for up to 120 days or 240 half days per year or for part-time student employment for the purpose of your studies. You are not allowed to work during preparatory study measures in the first year, except during vacation periods.

## Erforderliche Unterlagen

- valid passport
- Current biometric photo
- Visa, if required
- Proof of livelihood (e.g. scholarship certificate, declaration of commitment, blocked account at a bank, proof of parents' income or similar)
- rental agreement
- Proof of your health insurance
- Letter of admission from the educational institution
- If applicable, proof of the required language skills, e.g. through suitable language certificates such as language tests from the ALTE-certified examination providers Goethe-Institut, telc GmbH, ÖSD, TestDAF, but also DSH, DSD, TOEFL, IELTS
- for participation in study preparation measures: Proof of admission to the preparatory college or a preparatory language course

## Voraussetzungen

- You have a recognized and valid passport or passport substitute and - if required for entry - an appropriate visa.
- There is no interest in deporting you.
- Your stay does not jeopardize or impair the interests of the Federal Republic of Germany.
- You have been admitted to a state-recognized university or a recognized educational institution in Germany.
- Your livelihood is secured for the duration of your studies.
- Depending on the study requirements of your degree program, you may have to provide proof of the language skills required for your studies (usually at least level B2) to the immigration authority. No proof of

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	language skills is required if these have already been tested by the host university as part of the admission decision or are to be acquired as part of a preparatory language course.
Kosten	<p>Issuing a residence permit: EUR 100.00</p> <p>Under certain conditions, a fee reduction or fee exemption may be possible.</p>
Verfahrensablauf	<p>You must apply for a residence permit at the foreigners authority responsible for your place of residence. The procedure is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depending on the foreigners authority and your request, it may be possible to apply via the Internet. Find out whether your foreigners authority offers electronic applications for residence permits.</li> <li>• If you can only apply in person, make an appointment with the immigration office. During the appointment, your application will be accepted and your supporting documents checked (bring these with you to the appointment). Your fingerprints will be taken for the production of an electronic residence permit (eAT card).</li> <li>• In the case of an electronic application, the Immigration Office will contact you after receiving your online application to arrange an appointment at the Immigration Office if necessary. During the appointment, your documents will be checked (bring them with you to the appointment) and your fingerprints will be taken for the production of the electronic residence permit (eAT card).</li> <li>• If your application is approved, the Foreigners' Registration Office will arrange for the eAT card to be issued.</li> <li>• After about six to eight weeks, you can collect the eAT card from the immigration office.</li> <li>• The eAT card must always be collected in person.</li> <li>• Fees are charged for the issue of the residence permit. The time and form of payment vary depending on the authority.</li> </ul>
Bearbeitungsdauer	about six to eight weeks
Frist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You should apply for a residence permit at least eight</li> </ul>

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weeks before your valid visa or residence permit expires. • Objection period: 1 month

## weiterführende Informationen

- Federal government portal for skilled workers from abroad  
<https://www.make-it-in-germany.com/de/visum/arten/studieren/>
- You can also obtain free advice on the topics of entry, residence and employment from the "Working and Living in Germany Hotline" of the Federal Government's portal for skilled workers from abroad. Telephone: +49 30 1815-1111 Service hours: Monday to Friday from 08:00 to 16:00

## Hinweise

## Rechtsbehelf

## Kurztext

- Residence permit for the purpose of education and training; issue for the purpose of study preparation and study
- Foreigners who wish to study in Germany can obtain a residence permit for the purpose of studying if they have been admitted to a state-recognized higher education institution in Germany.
- The purpose of residence for the purpose of studying also includes completing a compulsory internship and preparatory measures such as attending a preparatory language course - if you have already been admitted to a full-time course of study - and attending a preparatory college or a comparable institution if a place is already available.
- The residence permit is issued for a minimum of one year and generally for a maximum of two years. If the course of study lasts less than two years, it is issued for the duration of the course. If the foreigner participates in a Union or multilateral program with mobility measures (e.g. ERASMUS+ program of the European Union) or if an agreement between two or more higher education institutions applies to the foreigner, the residence permit is issued for at least two years, or for the duration of the studies if the studies last less than two years.
- The residence permit entitles the holder to work for up to 120 days or 240 half days per year and to carry out part-time student activities; this does not apply

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	<p>during the stay for study preparation measures in the first year of the stay, except during the vacation period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depending on the Foreigners' Registration Office and your request, you can apply online or in person.</li> <li>• A fee is charged for the issue of the residence permit. The time and form of payment vary depending on the authority.</li> <li>• Responsible: the foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence</li> </ul>
Ansprechpunkt	the foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence
Zuständige Stelle	the foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence
Formulare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forms: Forms can be obtained from your foreigners authority; these may also be available online</li> <li>• Online procedure: occasionally possible</li> <li>• Written form required: yes</li> <li>• Personal appearance required: yes</li> </ul>
Ursprungsportal	Aufenthaltserlaubnis zum Zweck des Studiums beantragen, Applying for a residence permit for the purpose of studying