



MERKBLATT NATIONALES VISUM  
STAND 08/2022

# STUDY VISA FOR GERMANY

## BASIC INFORMATION

1. Use the following checklist to make sure your application and documents are complete.  
All documents listed here are to be submitted in the requested **form and order**.
2. The German Embassy in Cairo is only responsible for applicants who have their **habitual residence in Egypt**.
3. You must submit your visa application for a study visa in the visa application center of our external service provider **TLScontakt**. You need to book an appointment on the [TLS internet page](#).
4. Documents which are not in German or English language must be submitted with a [certified German translation](#).
5. **High school diplomas, university diplomas, etc. must be presented in original with legalization**. Your original documents will be returned to you once your application has been processed. You must [legalize](#) your university degrees and diplomas **before** you submit your documents!
6. As a rule, visa applications must be approved by the relevant immigration authority in Germany. The visa can only be issued when this approval has been received.
7. **That's why the processing time is about 4 - 5 weeks** but can take longer in individual cases.
8. The German Embassy reserves the right to request further documents.
9. **Please do not contact the German Embassy to check the status of your application during the normal processing period**. Such inquiries are extremely time-consuming for the visa section and can thus not be answered.
10. Please check our website [www.kairo.diplo.de](http://www.kairo.diplo.de) regularly for further information and updates.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Foreign students who have been accepted by a German or a preparatory college (Studienkolleg) can apply for a visa to study in Germany. You are advised to secure your admittance or acceptance from the university as early as possible.

- During your studies, you can take up student jobs to help cover your expenses.
- Upon completing your studies, you will have the opportunity to look for a job.

## BASIC REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

### 1. PASSPORT (ORIGINAL AND 2 COPIES)

- Passport is not older than ten years, has at least two blank pages left and is not damaged.
- The passport is valid for three months after the returning date.
- The passport holder has signed the passport before submitting the application.
- The passport holder is clearly to be identified with the passport photo.
- Copies of the data page, page 3 and previous visas (Schengen Visa, USA, UK, CAN)
- Copies of the last existing visas in the old passports have been made.

### 2. APPLICATION FORMS AND 2 INSTRUCTIONS

- Fully completed and personally signed [national visa application form](#) (VIDEX) and the [accompanying instruction](#).

### 3. CURRENT BIOMETRIC PASSPORT PICTURE (3 PICTURES)

*2 pictures are glued to the 2 applications, 1 picture is used for the scan. Information about the passport photo can be found at [www.biometrisches-passbild.net](http://www.biometrisches-passbild.net)*

- The passport photo is not older than 6 months.
- The passport photo is taken with a white or light gray background.
- The passport photo has not been digitally modified

## PROOF OF ADEQUATE HEALTH INSURANCE COVER ( 2 COPIES)

The insurance needs to fulfil the following conditions:

- The insurance is valid for all Schengen countries
- The minimum coverage amount is €30,000 or equivalent in US-Dollar
- There is no limit or exclusion of treatment (Covid19, pregnancy, age restriction etc.)

## GENERALLY APPLIES

If as a student you want to take out statutory health insurance, you must bear in mind that this insurance can only begin when you take up residence in Germany and after enrolment at the university.

If you **enter Germany beforehand**, private health insurance must be taken out for the period between entry into Germany and enrolment and registering for statutory health insurance.

In its terms and conditions, travel health insurance can exclude protection if a long-term or permanent stay is planned. So-called incoming travel insurance can also contain such exclusions.

## DOCUMENTS ABOUT YOUR TRAVEL PURPOSE

### 1. CURRICULUM VITAE (ORIGINAL + 1 COPY)

- was written by yourself
- is completely traceable
- contains a description of your training to date
- contains information on your previous professional activities including \*supporting documents (optional)
- is signed by yourself

### 2. MOTIVATION LETTER (ORIGINAL + 1 COPY)

- was written and signed by yourself
- explains your choice of study subject, motivation, expectations and reasons to enroll for a study program in Germany

### 3. HIGH SCHOOL OR UNIVERSITY DIPLOMA (S) (ORIGINAL + 2 COPIES)

You only have to submit your last obtained high school degree or university degree with performance record. You need to [translate and legalize](#) your degree.

- Proof of admittance to a study course at a German university** or a preparatory college in Germany ("Zulassungsbescheid"), including information on the language of instruction
- Proof of B1 German language skills** (if your study program is taught in English, please submit evidence of your English language level)

The embassy only **accepts B1 language** certificates of recognized testing centres which follow the "Standards of the Association of Language Testers in Europe" (ALTE)

#### 4. PROOF OF ADEQUATE FINANCIAL MEANS (ORIGINAL AND 2 COPIES)

##### FINANCING

To stay in Germany the applicant must have at their disposal at **least 934 Euro per month**. Financial funds must be proven for at least **one year that is at least 11.208 Euro** (for example, in the form of a blocked bank account or a formal undertaking by a third person to cover all costs).

In the case of financing in the form of a [blocked bank](#) account: Open the blocked account in good time BEFORE you apply for a visa.

When applying for a visa, only the official confirmation of the opening of the account including information on the amount paid in and the amount available per month will be accepted. A confirmation which does not include this information is not sufficient.

##### YOU CAN PROVE THAT YOU HAVE ENOUGH FINANCIAL MEANS BY:

- blocked bank account (minimum 11.208 Euro per year, 934 Euro per month) or
- letter of scholarship by an official German institution or program (e.g. DAAD, Erasmus) or
- formal obligation (German: "Verpflichtungserklärung") by a person living in Germany for the duration of your studies

For more information please click [here](#).

##### VISA FEES

The visa fee is **75,00 Euro** and must be paid in local currency.

The fee is non-refundable in case of rejection or withdrawal of the application. Please note that in case of no-show or showing up with incomplete documents, the service fee will not be refunded by TLScontact.

##### I HAVE TAKEN NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

- The submission of forged documents as well as incorrect information will necessarily result that the application will be rejected and can lead to an entry prohibition for Germany (and possibly also for the other Schengen states)!
- The submission of incomplete documents can result to a rejection.
- With my signature I confirm that I have read this information sheet and understood its terms.
- With my signature I agree that the diplomatic mission is allowed to contact me via email and phone number as specified.

Place, date, and signature of the applicant