

Study in Germany

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- What to expect at a German university
- Types of higher education institutions – theory based, applied, dual system
- How and where to apply
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- Contact Information

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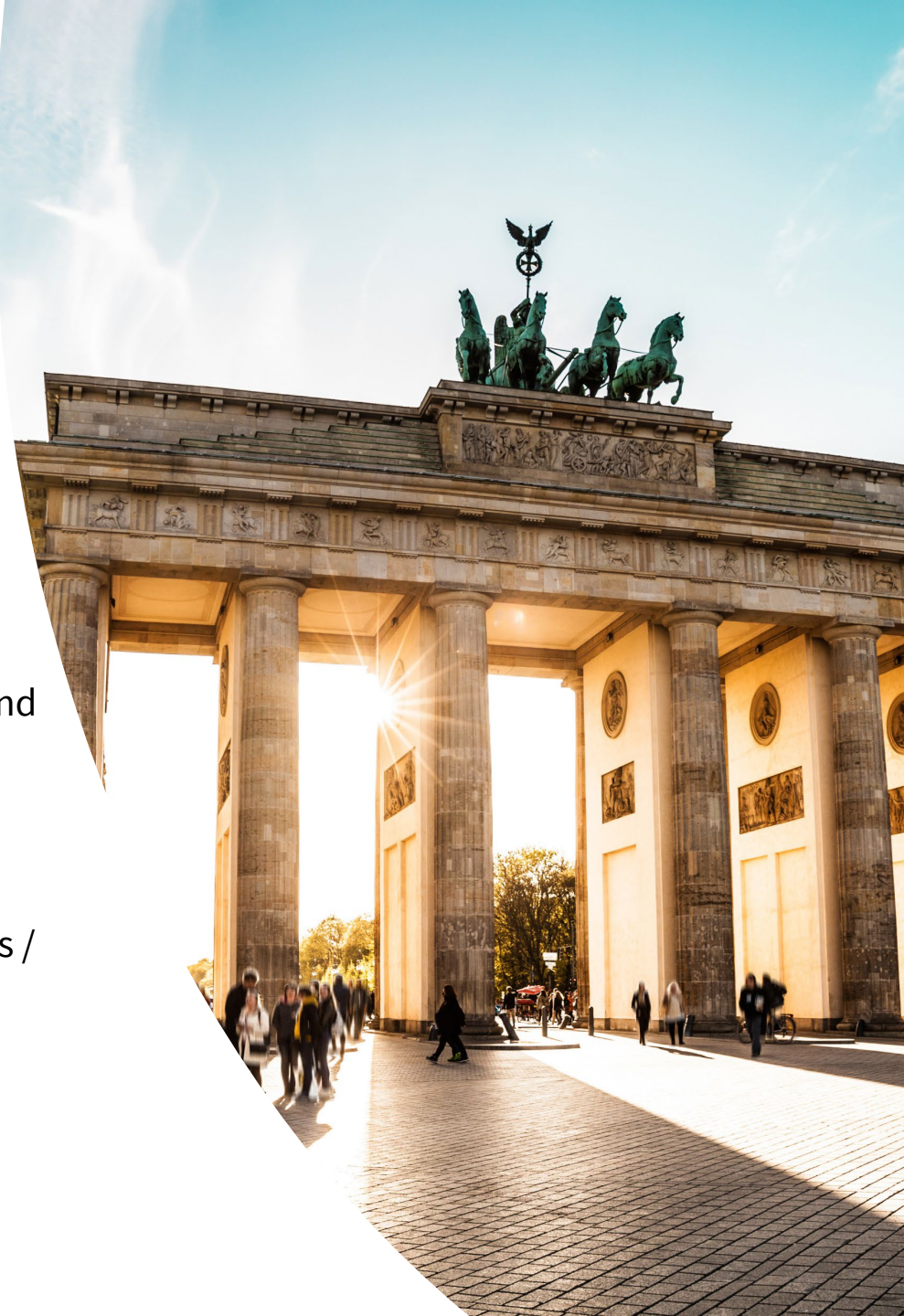
What is DAAD?

- 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



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



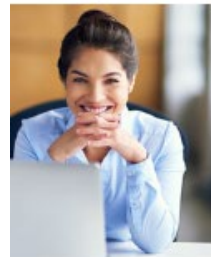
Duales Studium - Cooperative work- study degree program

- 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.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the website 'weiser Duales Studium'. The navigation links are: 'Das duale Studium', 'Studiengänge', 'Freie Studienplätze', and 'Hochschule'. The main banner features a woman's face and the text: 'Jetzt durchstarten mit deinem Dualen Studium an der FOM.' Below the banner is a search bar with the text 'Was suchst du?' and three buttons: 'Flexibel und dual studieren', 'Studieren + Arbeiten verbinden', and 'Jetzt informieren!'.

Duale Studiengänge im Überblick

...ual 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 Studiu...



...n &
...
...ngänge, 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 menu items: 'THEMEN', 'JUNG UND LINKS', 'LIEBE & SEX', 'JUNG UND KONSERVATIV', 'WAS SOLL ICH STUDIEREN?' (highlighted with a dropdown arrow), and 'WELCHER BERUF PASST ZU MIR?' (with a dropdown arrow). A large advertisement banner for Vistaprint is featured, showing a '50% OFF any one item' offer and a 'Shop now' button. Below the ad, the article title 'WAS SOLL ICH STUDIEREN' is visible. A secondary navigation bar contains links for 'Für Hochschulen', 'Interessenprofil', 'Passende Studiengänge', and 'Merkliste'. The main content area features a large, dark banner with the title 'WAS SOLL ICH STUDIEREN' in white, bold letters. Below the title is a search input field with the placeholder text 'Welchen Studiengang oder Hochschulort suchst du?' and a 'Suchen' button. A small blue vertical line is positioned below the search field.

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



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Information on Studying in Germany

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

www.study-in-germany.de

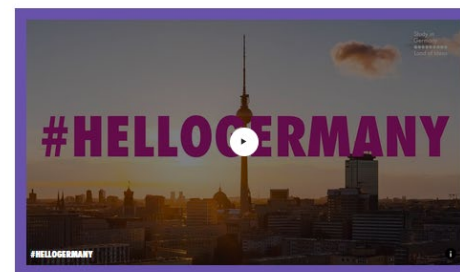
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Land of Ideas

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SAY HELLO TO GERMANY

Here you will find helpful information about your stay in Germany and useful insights from international students. Find out how to plan your studies in Germany and learn what life in Germany is all about.

Why Germany?



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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



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 not necessary for students with German Abitur.

Maybe required:

Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Work placements/ work experience

Required for Art/Music:

Portfolio



What are my chances of getting accepted?

Most universities publish information about GPA requirements / Numerus Clausus for each subject.

Example:

fu berlin numerus clausus

About 19,400,000 results (0.35 seconds)

Tip: Search for **English** results only. You can specify your search language in Preferences

https://www.fu-berlin.de/information_a-z/ncmerkblatt

Admission Limits (Numerus Clausus) - Freie Universität Berlin

The Latin term **Numerus Clausus** stands for "restricted number" and means that the number of applicants admitted must not be (much) higher than the number of ...

<https://www.fu-berlin.de/ncmerkblatt>

Numerus Clausus - Studium - Freie Universität Berlin

Dieser lateinische Begriff steht für "beschränkte Zahl" und bedeutet, dass nicht (viel) mehr Bewerber*innen zugelassen werden dürfen als – nach den Berechnungen ...

Studiengang	Abschluss	Plätze	Bewerbungen	Leistung		Wartezeit		AdH	Zweitstudium	Beruflich Qualifizierte	Minderjährige	Nicht-EU-Bewerber*innen
				Note	Warte-semester	Warte-semester	Note					
Informatik	Bachelor	118	965	1,8	0	0	1,9	247,5		alle zugelassen		1,5
Italienstudien	Bachelor							keine Zulassungsbeschränkung				
Japanstudien/Ostasienwissenschaften	Bachelor	51	154	1,8	0	4	3,1	202,5	7	alle zugelassen	/*	alle zugelassen
Judaistik	Bachelor							keine Zulassungsbeschränkung				
Koreastudien/Ostasienwissenschaften	Bachelor	57	134	1,7	0	2	1,8	alle zugelassen	6			alle zugelassen
Lehramt an Grundschulen Deutsch und Mathematik	Bachelor	309	753					alle zugelassen				
Lehramt an Grundschulen Sonderpädagogik und Deutsch	Bachelor	66	1052	1,9	0	10	3,2	137,5	7	alle zugelassen	2,4	alle zugelassen
Lehramt an Grundschulen Sonderpädagogik und Mathematik	Bachelor	32	243	2,3	0	6	2,5	180	alle zugelassen	2,3	2,8	alle zugelassen
Mathematik	Bachelor							keine Zulassungsbeschränkung				
Medieninformatik	Bachelor	20	374	1,8	0	5	3,2	/	7	alle zugelassen	2,4	1,4
Meteorologie	Bachelor							keine Zulassungsbeschränkung				
Nordamerikastudien	Bachelor	53	197					alle zugelassen				
Pferdewissenschaft	Bachelor	34	148	1,6	0	4	2,4	180	5	/*	alle zugelassen	3,5
Pharmazie	Staatsexamen	75	4062					siehe www.hochschulstart.de unter Auswahlgrenzen				
Physik	Bachelor							keine Zulassungsbeschränkung				
Politikwissenschaft	Bachelor	154	1506	1,0	0	6	2,3	75	8	alle zugelassen	1,8	3,6
Psychologie	Bachelor	128	4374	1,0	2	10	2,0	67,5	11	alle zugelassen	1,1	1,5
Rechtswissenschaft	Bachelor	404	1986	1,5	2	2	2,2	160	4	alle zugelassen	2,5	3,4
Veterinärmedizin	Staatsexamen	187	5287					siehe www.hochschulstart.de unter Auswahlgrenzen				
Volkswirtschaftslehre	Bachelor	178	731	2	0	2	3,2			alle zugelassen		3,7



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



Modify search

Location *
Berlin

University *
Freie Universität Berlin

Are you... *
Regular student

33 Student residence halls Sort by Student residence hall

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



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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