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**Study in Germany
with a US high school, IB
Diploma, or German Abitur
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Agenda

- Types of higher education institutions
- Admission with German Abitur and High School/IB diploma
- University entrance qualifications for students at US **High Schools, IB Schools** and schools offering **German Abitur**
- Language Requirements
- Helpful links & funding

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 almost 500,000 international university students
- ...Germany offers 21.000 degree programs / 2300+ International Programs
- ...German degrees are internationally recognized



~ 400
universities

Types of Higher Education Institutions

Universities & Technical Universities (BA, MA, PhD, <i>Staatsexamen</i> , <i>Habilitation</i>)	121
Hochschulen für Angewandte Wissenschaften [Universities of Applied Sciences & Universities of Applied Economics] (BA, MA, PhD: Right to award doctorates systematically expanded)	211
Music, Art- and Film Higher Education Institutions (BA, MA, PhD)	57
Other	5

Public	Religious	Private
240	39	119



Duales Studium – Applied Sciences universities

- Combines academic study with elements of vocational training or professional practice
- University of Applied Science offers master's and bachelor's degrees

Academic year:

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

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the website. On the left is the logo 'Wegweiser Duales Studium'. To its right are menu items: 'Das duale Studium', 'Studiengänge', 'Freie Studienplätze', and 'Hochschule'. Further right are icons for 'Für Unternehmen' and 'Für Hochschule'. Below the navigation bar is a banner with 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 i... raussetzungen, Gehalt und Karriere der einzelnen Studiengänge. Dazu listen wi... schulen, Unternehmen und freien Studienplätze. Finde jetzt dein duales Studi...



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Ingenieurwesen & Technik
24 duale Studiengänge, z.B.



Informatik & IT
8 duale Studiengänge


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Your path to studying in Germany

My GUIDE supports your journey from your home to a German higher education institution.

What are your interests? 

Which degree are you aiming for? 

Which language do you prefer? 

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<https://www.myguide.de/en/>

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How to find the right program

Searchable databases of programs taught at German universities

- **Higher Education Compass**
<https://www.hochschulkompass.de/en/study-in-germany.html>
- **Wegweiser Duales Studium**
<http://www.wegweiser-duales-studium.de/duale-studiengaenge/>
- **Center for Higher Education Ranking of German Universities**
www.university-ranking.de | <https://ranking.zeit.de/che/en/>
- **General information about study and research in Germany**
www.Study-in-Germany.de

University entrance qualifications for students at US High Schools and IB Schools



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Application – regardless of citizenship

Bildungsinländer:

„Bildungsinländer“ with German
Abitur

Apply:

University – direct admission

Bildungsausländer:

„Bildungsausländer“ with non-
German degree

Apply:

www.uni-assist.de

www.hochschulstart.de (for medical fields and certain
fields of studies at some universities)



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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Advanced Placement (AP)

5 AP courses

General admission to all higher education institutions

4 AP courses

Field-specific admission to all higher education institutions

Advanced Placements (AP) – General Admission

To be eligible to apply for general admission, i.e. all fields, all degree programs, students must provide the following:

High School Diploma **AND** AP Classes or Honors Classes

5 Advanced-Placement exams with at least a grade 3.0 in:

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



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* AP German is accepted for German-speaking students if they have never attended a German school or not attended a German school since 7th grade.

Advanced Placements (AP) – Field-specific a)

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** AP Classes or Honors Classes

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.)



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Proof of Language Proficiency *

Accepted certificates for proof of German Language Skills proficiency at German Universities:

- Deutsches Sprachdiplom II (*German Language Diploma level II*)
- Goethe-Zertifikat C2
- TestDaF Certificate C1
- telcDeutsch C1 Hochschule
- DSH Certificate (Level 2 or higher)
- Assessment Exam Certificate (*Feststellungsprüfungszeugnis*)



* Please note: This is just a guide; may vary by institution and degree program. Please verify requirements for each university and program.



„Studienkolleg“ (Preparatory Courses)

- preparatory courses for 1) university and 2) university of applied sciences
- state and private preparatory courses
- specialization courses as preparation for a course of study at university/ university of applied sciences
- final exam: *Feststellungsprüfung* (university qualification exam)
- application directly at preparatory courses of your choice or through www.uni-assist.de
- further information: www.studienkollegs.de



Studienkollegs in Deutschland



Programs to Support International Students

- *Studien- und Berufsticket*
<https://tinyurl.com/Studienticket>
- digital preparation for STEM degree program in Germany



<https://tinyurl.com/DAAD-Vorsprung>



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Admission Requirements: International Baccalaureate (IB / GIB)



International Baccalaureate Diploma / Diplôme du Baccalauréat International (IB)

Anabin: the database run by the Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB)

IB Course requirements: [Bildungswesen: Anabin - Informationssystem zur Anerkennung ausländischer Bildungsabschlüsse \(kmk.org\)](https://www.kmk.org/Bildungswesen/Anabin-Informationssystem-zur-Anerkennung-auslaendischer-Bildungsabschluesse)

What if not all IB requirements are met for direct admission to a German university?

- Studienkolleg and the university qualification exam



International Baccalaureate Diploma / Course Requirements

<https://www.daad.org/en/about-us/who-we-are/downloads-publications/>



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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS TO
A GERMAN UNIVERSITY**

With a High School Diploma or
International Baccalaureate

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International Baccalaureate Diploma

Six mandatory subjects of the IB according to Anabin:

2 languages at level A or B (of which at least one advanced foreign language is **continued** as "Language A" or "Language B HL")

- 1 Natural Sciences Subject: Biology, Chemistry, Physics* - Mechanics **and** AP Physics; Electricity and Magnetism* general AP Physics and AP Exam not sufficient.
- Math: (Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches or Mathematics: Applications and – **check Anabin** for detailed information on Math requirements since 2019)
- 1 Social Sciences subject (History, Geography, Economics, Psychology, Philosophy, Social Anthropology, Business and Management, Global Politics).
- Sixth compulsory subject



International Baccalaureate Diploma

The 6th compulsory subject can also be one of the following subjects as designated by the terminology of the IB:

- Art/Design, Music, Theater Arts; Film, Literature and Performance,
- another modern foreign language, Latin, Classical Greek,
- General Chemistry, Applied Chemistry, Environmental Systems, Computer Science, Design Technology, World Religions,
- Physical Education, and Health Science
- If requirements are not met = Studienkolleg



Links & Resources

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

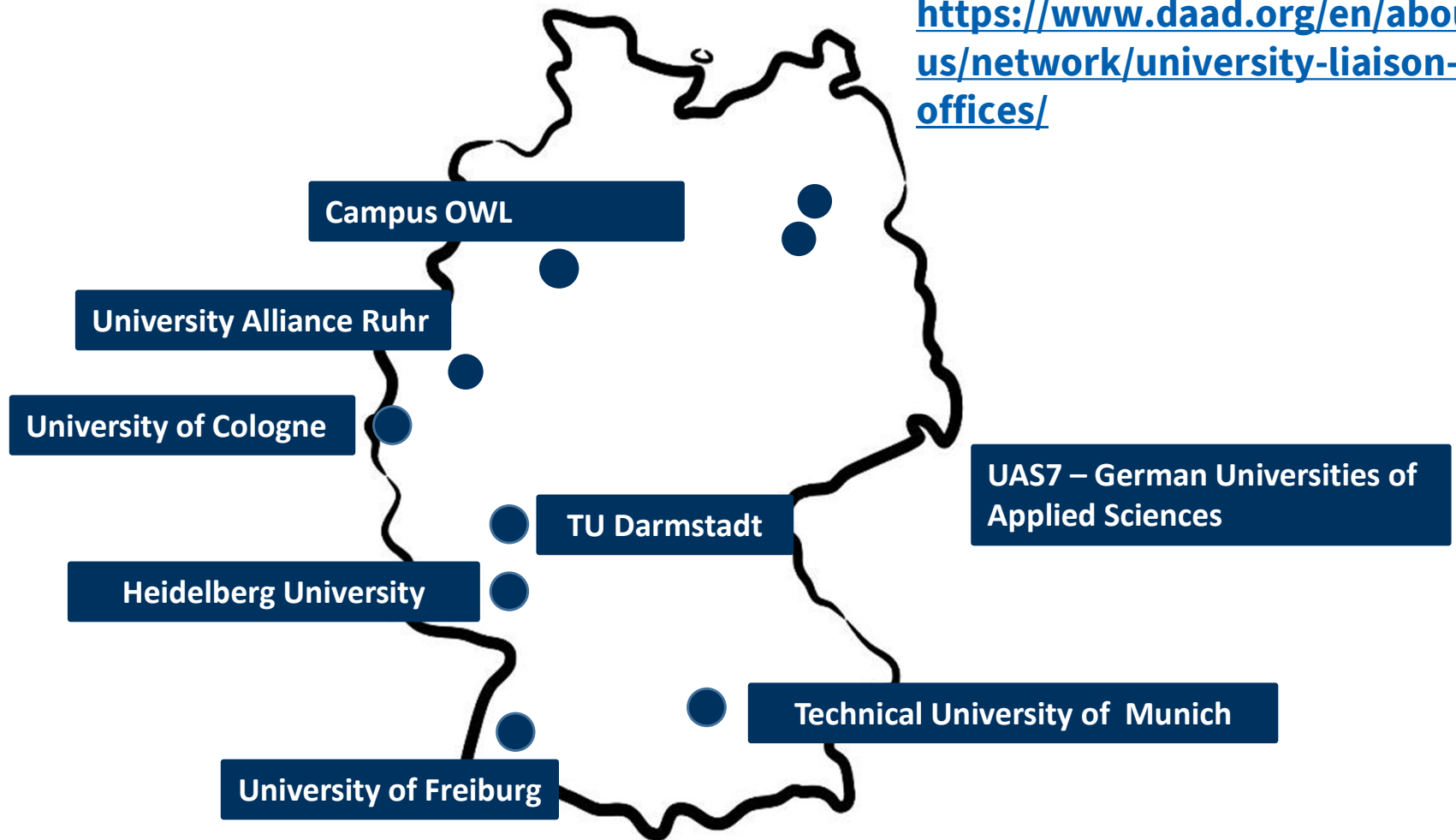
Student services: <https://www.studierendenwerke.de/>

DAAD US grants: www.daad.org



German University Liaison Offices in the US

Contact info at
<https://www.daad.org/en/about-us/network/university-liaison-offices/>





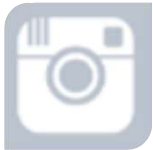
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