



Information sheet: national visa

Visa for students (Section 16b Residence Act)

Basic information

- For general information on the visa process, the required forms and for booking an appointment please visit www.muscat.diplo.de/visa
- Documents not in the German or English language must be submitted with a certified German translation. A translation of the personal data page of the passport is, however, not required.
- Certificates, diplomas, etc. must be presented in the original with apostille/legalization. Your original documents will be returned to you once your application has been processed. (For documents issued in Yemen: Please note that after the closure of the German Embassy in Sanaa, Yemeni documents can currently not be legalized by any German Embassy or Consulate).
- As a rule, visa applications must be approved by the relevant foreigners authority in Germany. The visa can only be issued when this approval has been received.
- **Processing time is as a rule at least 4 weeks** but can take longer in individual cases.
- Flight reservations are not required to apply for a visa – please only book when you have received your visa.
- The Embassy reserves the right to request further documents.
- Missing documentation delays the procedure and can result in your application being rejected.
- **Please do not contact the 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.

General information

Foreign students who have been accepted by a German university (where applicable with a preparatory language course) 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.

Use the following checklist to make sure your application documents are complete. All documents listed here are to be submitted in the requested **form and order**.



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The following documents are to be submitted in full with every application.
<input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) fully completed and signed applications including declarations pursuant to Section 54 Residence Act (see https://videx-national.diplo.de)
<input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) recent biometric passport photos (see specimen photos)
<input type="checkbox"/> Valid passport (personally signed and with at least two (2) completely empty pages). (Applicants from Yemen please check if your passport is recognized at www.maskat.diplo.de/visa)
<input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) uncertified copies of the data page of your valid passport
<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of admittance to the study course/preparatory college (original and two (2) copies), including information on the language of instruction
<input type="checkbox"/> Where available: Certificates of other academic qualifications (original and two (2) copies)
<input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum vitae with one (1) extra copy
<input type="checkbox"/> Letter of motivation with one (1) extra copy
<input type="checkbox"/> Where not confirmed by the university in the admittance notification: Proof of the language skills in the language of instruction for the study course or the preparatory course (without a preparatory language course as a rule at least B2 in the language of instruction) (original and two (2) copies)
<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of adequate financial means <u>Financing</u> To stay in Germany the applicant must have at their disposal at least 861 € per month . Proof must be submitted with the application of financial means for at least one year, that is at least 10,332 € (for example, in the form of a blocked account or a formal obligation (Verpflichtungserklärung) by a third person to cover all costs). Please note: As of 01 October 2022, the following rules apply in regards the proof of adequate financial means <u>Financing</u> To stay in Germany the applicant must have at their disposal at least 934 € per month . Proof must be submitted with the application of financial means for at least one year, that is at least 11,208 € (for example, in the form of a blocked account or a formal obligation (Verpflichtungserklärung) by a third person to cover all costs). <u>In the case of financing in the form of a blocked account:</u> Open the blocked account in 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. For further information on the opening of a blocked account for students in Germany please visit the website of the Foreign Office at https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/sperrkonto/388600



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In the case of preparatory language course or internship

- ☐ Acceptance for preparatory language course or internship

Applicant of a nationality other than Oman

- ☐ Proof of habitual abode by valid Omani "resident card" (original and two (2) copies. Yemen nationals with residency in Yemen need to provide copy of Omani visa and two (2) copies).

- ☐ **At the request of the Embassy only, after general approval of the visa:** Proof of adequate health insurance cover

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. If you enter Germany beforehand, private health insurance must be taken out for the period prior to 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.

Fee

- ☐ Visa fee of 75 €. Payable only in OMR.

Completeness of application

- ☐ The application is complete: ☐ Yes ☐ No, the information/documents indicated above are lacking.

Declaration when applications are not complete:

I have been informed that my application is not complete. I am aware that submitting an incomplete application can lead to the application being rejected. I would like to submit my application nevertheless.

_____ place, date, signature