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# Apply for a residence permit to look for a job after completing your studies

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Modul	Sachverhalt
Leistungsschlüssel	99010020001019
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Apply for a residence permit to look for a job after completing your studies
Leistungsbezeichnung II	Apply for a residence permit to look for a job after completing your studies
Typisierung	2/3 - Bund: Regelung (2 oder 3), Land/Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Nordrhein-Westfalen
Freigabestatus Katalog	fachlich freigegeben (gold)
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	fachlich freigegeben (silber)
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	Aufenthaltstitel (010)
Verrichtungskennung	Erteilung (001)

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SDG-Informationsbereich	Anforderungen in Bezug auf Aufenthaltskarten für Unionsbürger und ihre Familienmitglieder, einschließlich Familienmitglieder, die keine Unionsbürger sind
Lagen Portalverbund	Studium (1030300), Einwanderung (1080100), Jobsuche und Arbeitslosigkeit (1040300)
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	28.01.2022
Fachlich freigegeben durch	Ministry of the Interior and for Municipal Affairs of the State of Brandenburg
Handlungsgrundlage	<a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_20.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_20.html</a>
Teaser	If you have successfully completed your studies in Germany, you can apply for a residence permit for up to 18 months to find a job that matches your qualifications.
Volltext	<p>As a foreign graduate of a German university, you can apply for a residence permit to look for a job following your studies.</p> <p>The employment you are seeking must be one for which you are qualified on the basis of your qualifications. The desired gainful employment can also be self-employment.</p> <p>This residence permit can be issued for up to 18 months. The residence permit only serves the one-time purpose of seeking employment and cannot be extended beyond this maximum period.</p> <p>During the job search, any gainful employment is permitted and does not require a permit.</p>
Erforderliche Unterlagen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognized and valid identity document (for example passport or passport substitute)</li> <li>• Visa, if required for entry into the country</li> <li>• Current biometric photo in passport format (45 x 35 mm)</li> </ul>

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- Valid residence permit for the purpose of studies (§ 16b or § 16c of the Residence Act)
- Proof of successful completion of studies in Germany
- Proof of livelihood (e.g. employment contract, equity, blocked account, declaration of commitment)
- Proof of health insurance coverage
- Current certificate of registration

In individual cases, the Aliens Department may require less or further evidence

## Voraussetzungen

- You have a recognized and valid identity document (for example, passport or passport substitute).
- You have a valid residence permit for the purpose of studying (§ 16b or § 16c of the Residence Act).
- You have successfully completed your studies in Germany and the period of validity of your residence permit will expire in the near future.
- You can secure your livelihood and health insurance coverage without claiming public benefits.
- There is no interest in deportation against you.

Your stay does not endanger or impair the interests of the Federal Republic of Germany.

## Kosten

Fee 98,00 EUR

Remark:

For the issuance of the residence permit in the form of the electronic residence permit, which can also be used as an electronic proof of identity, additional fees may apply.

## Verfahrensablauf

- Find out whether your foreigners authority allows you to apply online or has a special application form.
- If the application can only be submitted in person, make an appointment at the Aliens' Registration Office. In the case of online application, the Aliens' Registration Office will contact you after receiving your application to schedule an appointment.
- During the appointment, your identity and documents will be checked (please bring your documents, if possible in original, to the appointment).
- If your application is granted, your fingerprints will be

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taken for the production of a new electronic residence permit (eATKarte). The Aliens' Registration Office will order the production of the eAT card from the Bundesdruckerei. After completion, you will receive information and can pick up the residence permit at the responsible office. The eAT card must always be collected in person.

- If your application is rejected, you will receive a rejection notice.

## Bearbeitungsdauer

It takes about 4 to 6 weeks for the Bundesdruckerei to produce the electronic residence permit.

## Frist

At the latest 8 before the expiry of your still valid residence permit, the application should be received by the Aliens' Registration Office. Period of validity (for a fixed period): maximum 18 months. The residence permit is issued for a maximum of 18 months. The extension of the residence permit beyond this maximum period is excluded.

## weiterführende Informationen

Federal government portal for skilled workers from abroad, here: Prospects after graduation:

<https://www.make-it-in-germany.com/de/studium-ausbildung/studieren-in-deutschland/perspektiven-danach>

Information from the Federal Employment Agency on labor market access for people from abroad (including Migration Check for Workers, fact sheet on the employment of foreign workers in Germany):

<https://www.arbeitsagentur.de/fuer-menschen-aus-dem-ausland>

Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs:

<https://www.bmas.de/DE/Arbeit/Arbeitsfoerderung/arbeitsfoerderung.html>

Central Foreign and Specialist Placement Office (ZAV):

<https://www.arbeitsagentur.de/vor-ort/zav/startseite>

## Hinweise

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Rechtsbehelf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appeal against the decision of the Foreigners' Registration Office</li> <li>• Action before the court named in the notice of appeal if the appeal is not granted</li> </ul>
Kurztext	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residence Permit for the Purpose of Gainful Employment Issuance for Job Search after Completion of Studies</li> <li>• Foreign graduates of German universities can obtain a residence permit for the purpose of seeking employment after completing their studies</li> <li>• Prior possession of a residence permit for the purpose of studying (§ 16b or § 16c Residence Act) is required.</li> <li>• The employment sought must be related to the qualification acquired during studies. The establishment of self-employment is also possible.</li> <li>• Residence permits are issued for up to 18 months and cannot be extended.</li> <li>• Any gainful employment is permitted during the job search.</li> <li>• Responsible: the foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence.</li> </ul>
Ansprechpunkt	
Zuständige Stelle	
Formulare	<p>Forms available: No</p> <p>Written form required: Yes</p> <p>Informal application possible: No</p> <p>Personal appearance required: Yes</p>
Ursprungsportal	<p>Apply for a residence permit to look for a job after completing your studies, Aufenthaltserlaubnis zur Arbeitsplatzsuche nach abgeschlossenem Studium beantragen</p>