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Apply for a residence permit for employment as a specialist with academic training

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Modul	Sachverhalt
Leistungsschlüssel	99010020001001
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Apply for a residence permit for employment as a specialist with academic training
Leistungsbezeichnung II	Apply for a residence permit for employment as a specialist with academic training
Typisierung	2/3 - Bund: Regelung (2 oder 3), Land/Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Niedersachsen
Freigabestatus Katalog	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
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	Einwanderung (1080100)
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	14.10.2021
Fachlich freigegen durch	Lower Saxony Ministry of the Interior and Sport
Handlungsgrundlage	https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/__18b.html https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/__3.html https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthv/__45.htm https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/__18b.html https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/__3.html https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthv/__45.htm
Teaser	If you have a university degree and would like to work in Germany in a job for which your degree qualifies you, you can obtain a residence permit under certain conditions.
Volltext	<p>A residence permit for employment as a specialist with academic training gives you access to the labour market in Germany. It can only be applied for in person at your locally competent immigration authority. Spouses of holders of residence permits for the purpose of skilled employment are also entitled to a residence permit.</p> <p>You can apply for a residence permit if you have completed a university degree. If you do not have a German university degree, your degree must either be recognised or comparable to a German university degree. You can recognise or establish comparability before you enter Germany.</p>

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You must also submit an employment contract or a binding job offer. From the age of 45, you must prove a certain minimum salary. The minimum gross salary is set annually and amounts to EUR 46,860 in 2021. Even if you do not reach this minimum salary, you can obtain a residence permit for qualified employment on presentation of proof of adequate retirement provision or, in special cases. A special case may be that there is a public interest in employment.

The Federal Employment Agency checks whether the working conditions correspond to those of comparable German employees and whether there is a domestic employment relationship.

The residence permit is a temporary residence permit. It is granted for 4 years in the case of permanent employment relationships and can be extended. If the duration of your employment relationship is less than 4 years, the residence permit will be issued for the duration of your employment contract.

As the holder of a residence permit for skilled workers with a university degree, you can also obtain a settlement permit under certain conditions. This entitles you to permanent residence.

Exception: As a citizen of an EU country, you have access to the labour market on the basis of your right to free movement and do not need a residence permit. You can exercise self-employment or employment in Germany within the framework of the right of establishment or the free movement of workers. This also applies to citizens of the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland.

Note: If you are highly qualified, you may also be eligible for the "EU Blue Card" as a residence permit. Other conditions apply, including a minimum salary, regardless of age.

Erforderliche Unterlagen

- If you are entering Germany with an appropriate visa: valid passport with visa
- As far as there is a previous stay with a residence title

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for another purpose: valid passport residence permit

Additionally:

- current biometric photo
- Original of employment contract or binding offer of employment
- Original of the certificate of successfully completed university education
- if available: Notification of recognition or comparability of the university degree Certificate evaluation of the Central Office for Foreign Education
- for regulated professions: Your professional license (for example, approbation or professional permit)
- Current certificate of registration
- if required: licence to practise your profession
- Proof of health insurance
- Rental contract

Voraussetzungen

- You have a German university degree, or a recognised foreign university degree, or a foreign university degree that is comparable to a German university degree.
- You have a job or a job offer.
- You possess a qualification that qualifies you to perform the job.
- If required, you have a licence to practise your profession, e.g. licence to practise as a pharmacist.
- Working conditions and in particular salary must be comparable to those of a German employee, the approval of the Federal Employment Agency is required.
- You can secure your livelihood and health insurance cover from your income 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

Issue of residence permit: EUR 100,00

Verfahrensablauf

You must apply for your residence permit in person:

- Make an appointment with the foreigners authority responsible for your place of residence.

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- During the appointment, your documents will be checked and your fingerprints will be taken for the electronic residence permit (eAT card). The authority will send your application to the Employment Agency.
- The Employment Agency sends feedback to the Aliens' Registration Office.
- If your application is approved, the Aliens' Registration Office commissions the Bundesdruckerei to produce the eAT card.
- You will receive notification by post that your application has been approved and the eAT card will be produced, or that your application has been rejected.
- As the eAT card is linked to an online ID function, you must collect it in person.
- You will receive information by post that you can collect the eAT card from the Aliens' Registration Office.

Bearbeitungsdauer

about 6 to 8 weeks

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Residence permit application: at least 8 weeks before your visa or residence permit expires. Validity of your residence permit: • As long as your employment contract if your employment contract is valid for less than 4 years, • 4 years if your employment contract is valid for at least 4 years or indefinitely.

weiterführende Informationen
Hinweise
Rechtsbehelf
Kurztext

- Residence permit for the purpose of gainful employment Issue for the purpose of employment in qualified employment as a specialist with academic training
- Residence permit for non-EU foreigners with a university degree and job offer
- includes the "work permit"
- Spouses of holders of this residence permit are also entitled to a residence permit.
- Prerequisites include: German or recognised/comparable foreign university degree
- Employment contract or written job promise Fulfilment

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	<p>of passport and visa requirements Secured livelihood there is no interest in expulsion against you Your stay does not endanger or adversely affect the interests of the Federal Republic of Germany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The residence permit is issued for a limited period only: for permanent employment contracts: valid for 4 years, it can be extended for short-term employment contracts: valid for the duration of the employment contract • Skilled workers with a university degree can obtain a settlement permit after fulfilling certain requirements, which allows permanent residence. • Spouse eligible to apply for a residence permit for family reunification • Application only possible in person • Responsible: local immigration authority (city or district)
Ansprechpunkt	<p>Foreigners' registration office in your town or municipality</p> <p>Hotline "Working and Living in Germany" of the Federal Government Telephone: 030 18151111 Service hours: Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</p>
Zuständige Stelle	Aliens department of your city or municipality
Formulare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forms: yes • Online procedure possible: no • Written form required: yes • Personal appearance required: yes <p>You can obtain the forms from your competent foreigners authority or from their website.</p>
Ursprungsportal	Apply for a residence permit for employment as a specialist with academic training, Aufenthaltserlaubnis zur Beschäftigung als Fachkraft mit akademischer Ausbildung beantragen