



# Pursue an Undergraduate Degree in Germany

Webinar – February 11th, 2019





## Agenda

- Why Germany?
- General Information
  - Types of Higher Education Institution
  - Living Expenses I Accomodation I Funding

#### Admission Requirements via Webinar : Feb 13th http://bit.ly/2Tw4C1v





## Why Germany? Because Germany...

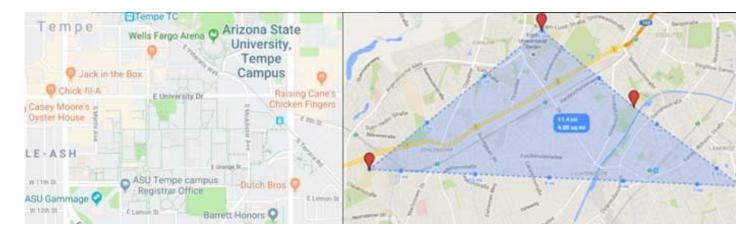
- ...has high academic and living standards at a reasonable cost
- ...offers an outstanding study and research infrastructure
- ...is home to more than 300,000 international university students
- ...Germany offers 1900+ International Programs
- ...German degrees internationally recognized

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## US and German Universities – What to expect



- 1. Tuition fees
- 2. Campus community
- 3. Student housing
- 4. University sports important
- 5. A lot of advisor support

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- 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
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For most public universities; since 2017 €1500 tuition fees for international students in Baden-Wuerttemberg; individuals with EU passport are exempt.





### **Types of Higher Education Institutions**

Universities & Technical Universities (BA, MA, PhD, <i>Staatsexamen, 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

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#### Duales Studium - Cooperative work-study degree program

www.wegweiser-duales-studium.de/duale-studiengaenge

- 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.



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## What degree can you earn in Germany?

- **Bachelor's** (B.A., B.Sc., Bachelor of Engineering, etc.) 3-4 years
- Master's (M.A., M.Sc., Master of Engineering, etc.) 1-2 years
- **State examination** (for medicine, law, teaching or pharmacy)
- Doctorate (PhD)
  - Independent PhD time to PhD varies
  - Graduate School 3 years





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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
- General information about study and research in Germany www.study-in.de

www.research-in-germany.de









Winter: 1 business day in Juni – mid July Summer: 1 business day in December – mid January

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: <u>www.uni-assist.de</u> (application fee 75€ for evaluation plus 1 university application; every additional application 30€) – send application at least 8 weeks prior to deadline!
- <u>www.hochschulstart.de</u> (for medical fields and certain fields of studies at some universities)

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## What documents to submit?

### (Please check universities for additional requirements)

### Required:

- Offical copy of high school diploma (translation often not necessary)
- Official copy of transcripts (translation often not necessary)
- Application form
- Language certificate (only for degree programs in German)

#### Maybe required:

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Work placements/ work experience

### Required for Art/Music:

Portfolio

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## Studying in Germany with a US High School Diploma - with uni-assist e.V.



Are you interested in pursuing a degree in Germany? Most universities have their international candidates apply via uni-assist e.V., the University Application Service for International Students. Join our free webinar on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 PST for in-depth, first-hand information from uni-assist e.V. representatives. http://bit.ly/2Tw4C1v

Find the recording after Feb 13<sup>th</sup> the recording at:

www.daad.org/en/about-us/who-we-are/webinars/

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## 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:
  - Health care
  - University cafeteria
  - Museums, theatre, sights

Słudy in Germany Baden-Württemberg charges 1,500 € for international students.

#### Least expensive cities:

1.	Freiberg	665,72 €
2.	Zwickau	667,25€
З.	Ilmenau	669,88 €
4.	Erfurt	673,38 €
5.	Weimar	679,48 €

#### Most expensive cities:

1.	Sigmaringen	1291,17 €
2.	Ludwigsburg	1260,51 €
3.	Friedrichshafen	1191,53 €
4.	Alfter	1157,58 €
5.	Neu-Ulm	1149,03€



### Accomodation

Find a student rest Information, addresses and a student residence halls in Ge www.daad.de	application details on a large selection of		
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Location *	Internationales Studienzentrum Berlin		
Berlin	Theodor-Heuss-Platz 5 14052 Berlin	66 Places	>
University *		270 up to 360 EUR / month	
Freie Universität Berlin	Wohnheim Allee der Kosmonauten		
Freie Universität Berlin	Allee der Kosmonauten 20	345 Places	>
Are you*	10315 Berlin	165 up to 230 EUR / month	
Regular student	Wohnheim Aristotelessteig		
	Aristotelessteig 2/6/10	905 Places	>
	10318 Berlin	165 up to 550 EUR / month	

- Shared housing: <u>www.wg-gesucht.de</u>, <u>www.studenten-wg.de</u>, <u>www.wgfinden.de</u> and <u>www.wg-cast.de</u>
- Apartments: <u>www.immobilienscout24.de</u>, <u>www.immowelt.de</u> and <u>www.immonet.de</u>

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## Funding

### **Political Organizations**

- Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
- Friedrich Naumann Stiftung
- Konrad Adenauer Stiftung
- Heinrich Böll Stiftung
- Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung

### **Religious Organizations**

Cusanuswerk

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- 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

- Eligible:
  - Germans
  - Foreigners with permanent resident status

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