Visa, housing, etc.
Our support for international master students

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Our support for you

- visa and residency law
- formalities
- accommodation

- orientation programmes
- connecting with people
- emergency funding
Study Visa for Germany

- **Who needs a visa?**
  - Students with Non-EU/EEA nationality & visa obligation
  - Visa free entry: Students with EU nationality/passport AND
  - Students with passport from Brazil, USA, Canada, Brazil, South Korea, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Israel

- **Where do I get my visa from?**
  - German Embassy / Consulate of your region: Check website of the German Embassy

- **When can I start the visa process?**
  - once you have received your admission letter
  - 3 months before 1 October; latest **end of July**
Study Visa for Germany

- Which visa do I apply for?
  - visa for study purposes - no tourist/visitor’s visa

- What do I need to present when applying for a visa?
  - Find checklist on the website of the German Embassy/Consulate

- Minimum required documents:
  - Application form
  - Health insurance
  - Admission letter of a German University
  - visa fee
  - Proof of financial resources for 1 year:
    720 Euros / month x 12 months = 8640 Euro
Proof of Financial Resources

You need to prove that you have sufficient funds to finance your stay in Germany.

Currently:

720 € per month

4 Possibilities accepted as an official proof by immigration authorities:

1. A formal written commitment from relatives or acquaintances submitted to a German Diplomatic Mission abroad or Local Immigration Office in Germany.

2. Blocked account opened at a German bank.

3. Scholarship confirmation

4. A written confirmation of financial support from your parents.
Visa and residence permit

- Visa: usually for 3-6 months > convert into residence permit after arrival

- Residence permit for study purposes: 1 year

- After graduation: Job search permit for 18 months

> privileged access to German labour market with German academic degree
Health Insurance

**EU students:** European Health Insurance Card

**Non-EU/EEA:** German State Insurance

→ **Advantages of German State Insurance:**
  - no pre-payment of bills
  - no exclusion from coverage in case of liability
  - no deductible

> take it out from abroad

**Non-EU students please note:**
Only German statutory health insurance accepted by immigration authorities and university!

**30 years or older:** Take out German private health insurance
Housing

- Exclusive guaranteed housing scheme for early birds
  - Guaranteed student housing in a safe and convenient location
  - Have a single room and share kitchen + bathroom

- Seezeit student residence halls
  - Rents from 280 – 350 Euros/month
  - Public transport to university
  - Share with German and international students
Housing

- **How can I join the guaranteed housing scheme?**
  - Get welcome mail from the International Office / Department with application form and pay the deposit of 550 Euros
  - Keep the deadline > exclusive for early birds

- **Other options: private housing**
University Fees

Every student:
Enrollment fee each semester: 160 Euros / semester

Non-EU nationals:
Tuition fee: 1500 Euros / semester

Get informed about exemptions from tuition fees

Visa, housing, etc. – International Student Support Services
# Living expenses

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Be prepared to bring extra money for the semester start.
Scholarships

- DAAD scholarship database
- Scholarships of German scholarship organizations
- Scholarship Germany / Deutschlandstipendium
Study & Work

- EU students: open access to labour market

- Non EU-students: study permit = work permit
  120 full days / 240 half days per calendar year

- 450 Euros / month = minijob

- max. 20 hours / week during lecture period

- work vs. full-time studies

- German language knowledge useful
Orientation Programmes

→ Get to know German language, culture and way of life
→ Feel welcome in Konstanz with its ideal location close to the Swiss and Austrian border
GO-Konstanz
German Language & Orientation Programme

GO Konstanz (September, 4 weeks)

- German Language Programme on all levels
- Orientation programme
  - orientation on campus
  - administrative support
  - study organization
  - meet people
  - discover the region
- 300 Euros
OriPro Master
Orientation programme for international master students

OriPro Master (October, 1 week)
free of charge

Orientation programme

• orientation on campus
• get formalities done
• student life in Konstanz
• academic culture
• meet people

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Universität Konstanz
Services for international students

- **Buddy Programme**
  Get a Konstanz buddy who helps you get started in Konstanz

- **Language Tandem programme**
  Find an easy way to improve your German

- **LEI: Students for Students**
  Connecting local and international students, join excursions in Southern Germany and into Austria and Switzerland

- **Check-In Office**
  Meet our student tutors and have a place where you can ask all your questions upon arrival
Working in Germany after graduating

- job search visa for up to 18 months to look for employment
- privileged access to German labour market for graduates of German universities
- „Blue Card EU“
- Career Service
Any questions?

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