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National visa for study applicants

1. General Information

Please note that your visa application must be made in person and will be accepted only if all required documents are submitted according to our regulations.

Each submitted document in original has to be accompanied by 1 copy. Printout of a PDF file is not considered original. Physical document with the original signatures of both parties and/or electronically signed document with certification are considered originals.

Documents in foreign languages have to be provided with a certified translation into German or English.

Your original documents (certificates, diplomas, etc.) and passport will be checked and returned to you.

Appointments can be booked online free of charge: www.tallinn.diplo.de/Terminvergabe

General information is available here: www.study-in.de

2. Fees

Students are exempt from visa fee payment.

3. Process

Processing visa usually takes some weeks. As soon as a decision has been made, the applicant is immediately contacted by the embassy. Applicants are kindly asked not to make any enquiries about the current status of their visa application.

All documents need to be provided as an original + 1 copy :	Submitted:
1 filled-in and signed visa application form: https://videx-national.diplo.de/videx/visum-erfassung/#/videx-langfristiger-aufenthalt	
your national passport (validity of which has to exceed at least 6 months; issued not earlier than 10 years ago), + 1 copy of all pages with records	
your Estonian residence permit or visa, held for at least 3 months at the time of application and for additional 2 months after your entry to Germany, + 1 copy	
1 recent passport photo (45x35mm)	
your graduation certificates/degrees/diplomas that enable university admission in Germany, + 1 copy → Please check whether your foreign university degree is recognized or comparable by consulting the ANABIN database: http://anabin.kmk.org/ and submit the copy of ANABIN printout	
your original confirmation of admission in studies “Zulassungsbescheid”, issued by a recognized higher education provider in Germany, showing the period of studies, + 1 copy	
your motivation letter and CV	
proof of sufficient financial means (currently 934 EUR/monthly): → Scholarship, from 01 September, 2024 minimum amount of 992 EUR/monthly (withdrawal limit, 11.904,00 EUR/yearly) → blocked account at a German bank* with minimum amount of 992 EUR/monthly (withdrawal limit, 11.904,00 EUR/yearly)	
proof of German language skills → Level of at least B1/B2 → Otherwise, a confirmation from the university that the lectures will be held in English language and proof of English knowledge	
Health insurance valid for your entire stay in Germany (minimum coverage 30.000 EUR) + travel health insurance	

Details from your University in Germany:

A) Confirmed university admission letter (“Zulassungsbescheid”)

- Subject and begin of study
- Language of instruction

B) Confirmed language course („Intensiv-Sprachkurs“) with conditional university admission („Bedingter Zulassungsbescheid“)

- Course has to take minimum 18 hours per week over 6 month at a German language school (weekend or evening courses are insufficient)
- Receipt/confirmation of language course payment for minimum of 3 months

- Proof of conditional university admission or “uni-assist” or confirmation as an applicant or detailed communication with university for a concrete subject of study
- Proof of German language skills of level A2 according to the European Framework for Languages

C) Confirmed admission to a preparatory course for university (“Studienkolleg”)

- Details regarding preparation and intend begin of study
- Proof of conditional university admission or letter of “uni assist” or confirmation of admission as an applicant or detailed communication with the university for a concrete subject of study or entrance examination
- Proof of German language skills of level A2 according to the European Framework for Languages

D) Invitation for admission test for preparatory course (Studienkolleg)

- Proof of Germany language skills of level A2/B1 according to the European Framework for Languages

E) Admission to an internship

- Letter of the university with details about the internship
- Proof of Germany language skills of level A2/B1 according to the European Framework for Languages

**) When applying for visa, you can provide evidence that you are able to meet your living costs by opening a blocked bank account. You have free choice of provider. Information on providers that offer this service worldwide is available on Federal Foreign Office website.*

Please ensure that your application documents are complete. Incomplete applications may result in rejection of the visa application.

In individual cases, provision of additional documents may be necessary.

This fact sheet is regularly updated but makes no claim to be complete.