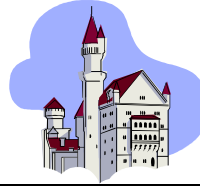


Germany



German universities are state-run, non profit institutions and all follow similar rules and regulations concerning admission and language requirements, tuition and degree requirements.

German University admissions are in a state of revision and change. Be sure you have the latest/newest information about qualifications, deadlines, and programs.

Students applying to a German university must hold either a German Secondary School Certificate (*Abitur*) or one of the following:

- High school diploma from the United States, i.e. ASW diploma (but not for German nationals)
- International Baccalaureate diploma (applies to German and foreign nationals)
Note: IB Math Studies is not recognized for enrollment in German universities.

If a foreign national applying to a German university and the high school diploma is not considered equivalent to the German qualifications, the applicant will not be admitted directly to an academic program. The applicant will be required to take standardized admissions examinations. All foreign applicants must prove they are proficient in German before being admitted to university. German nationals must provide credentials called the *abitur* (13 years in Germany) or the equivalent (IB diploma), evidence of four years of foreign language (for those studying outside of Germany), and have completed a minimum of 12 successive years of full time education.

The Ministry of Cultural Affairs will review an applicant's alternative credentials and classify them as Class I, II or III. The IB diploma is usually Class II which is not equal to the *abitur* (Class I). The IB diploma applicant must present the following subjects with a minimum grade of 4: two languages (one continuously taught at Higher Level), one natural science (physics, chemistry or biology), mathematics, one social science (history, geography, economics, social studies, and organizational studies). Other additional requirements may be requested.

Information regarding admissions to German universities can be obtained from the university foreign student offices (Akademische Auslandsaemter) and the Studienkollegs or see below:

German Citizens:
Sekretariat Der Standingen Konferenz
Der Laender in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland
Nasser Strasse 8
D-5300 Bonn 1
Federal Republic of Germany

Non-German Citizens:
Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst
Kennedyallee 50
D-5300 Bonn 2
Federal Republic of Germany

GERMAN UNIVERSITY WEB SITES:	
International University of Bremen www.iu-bremen.de	International University of Germany www.i-u.de
Colleges and Universities in Germany: http://www.mit.edu:8001/people/cdemello/de.html	German Universities, sorted by city: http://www.arab.de/gunivers.htm
Application Process and Courses Available in German www.zvs.de	German Academic Exchange Services www.daad.de
Online German Magazine with University Information http://www.focus.de/wissen/campus	