



## JOBSEEKER'S VISA

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This visa allows university graduates from countries outside the EU to seek an employment in Germany for up to six months. It supports the objective to secure an employment according to their qualifications. General information on labour immigration for academics is available on [Make-it-in-Germany](#)

### General information:

- If you wish to stay in Germany on a long term basis (more than 90 days) you are required to obtain a residence permit. This visa in form of a national visa must be issued before you enter the country.
- The national visa will generally be issued for 90 days and needs to be extended after your arrival in Germany. Please contact the local authorities (Einwohnermeldeamt/ Bürgerbüro) to register and apply for (the extension of) the residence permit with the aliens authority (Ausländerbehörde)
- Processing of the visa takes about **2 to 3 weeks** upon submission of complete documents. The residence permit can be issued only upon approval by the competent authorities in Germany. You will receive a prompt notification upon completion of the processing. We ask that no status request is made if the required 3 weeks processing period has not yet passed.
- Kindly note that you cannot apply for a residence permit in Germany and that you cannot convert a
- "tourist, business or visitor visa" into any kind of "national visa".
- It is recommended that at no time a flight ticket should be purchased until a visa has been granted.
- The fee for the processing of the visa application is the equivalent of EURO 75.00 (paid in SGD).
- All documents must be submitted in original + 2 copies. Copies will not be made by the Embassy.
- This fact sheet is regularly updated but makes no claim to be complete. Further documentation can at all times be requested or provided by the applicant, in support of the application.

### Please submit:

- 2** duly completed visa application forms and Declaration in accordance with Section 55 (2) of the Residence Act (please ensure that you sign the forms)  
[Online application form](#)

### Together with the following documents in original plus 2 photocopies (complete applications only!):

- passport** (at least 2 free pages, not older than 10 years)
- employment pass/ dependent pass/ student pass** (please bring along a printout of your current Singaporean residence permit validity (no QR-Code)).
- 2** recent passport **photographs** (not older than 3 months) according to biometric specifications ([see sample photos](#))
- letter of motivation providing information on the planned course of action to secure a job (sector, region, intended places of residence, accommodation, etc. )
- proof of **health insurance** (travel health insurance) covering the complete period of your stay in Germany
- curriculum vitae** of professional career, specifying the certificates, diplomas, etc. you have obtained in your higher education
- German **university degree** or comparable foreign degree of higher education. Original of qualification: e.g. diplomas, certificates must be provided. You can inquire in the [ANABIN databank](#), if your foreign degree of higher education is equivalent
- any additional **evidence of your preparations** to secure a job that can already be provided (e.g. invitations to job interviews etc).
- proof of **sufficient financial means** of subsistence for the time of your entire stay (e.g. bank statements)