



Studying in Germany: information and points of contact for refugees on the path towards higher education

Basic information about degree programmes and finding the right programme in Germany

www.study-in-germany.de/refugees

Advice for refugees provided by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD): information about German language courses, finding the right programme.

www.hochschulkompass.de

Database containing information and search functions for all state-funded and state-recognised higher education institutions in Germany.

www.internationale-studierende.de

Compilation of information for international students by the Deutsche Studentenwerk. The Deutsche Studentenwerk is the umbrella organisation overseeing the 58 Studentenwerke (Student Services Organisations) in Germany. The Studentenwerke are partner organisations of universities and provide support and services for around two million students.

Learning the language, exams, online courses, ability to study

www.muenster.de/fluechtlinge_sprachkurse

A list of language courses currently offered in Münster.

www.inlingua-muenster.de/sprachpruefungen

Inlingua prepares individuals to take language tests. You can also simply register to take a language test. Fee-based.

www.deutsch-uni.com

Online language courses. Fee-based.

www.testas.de

Test AS is a central standardized aptitude test for international students. The cognitive skills that are particularly important for studying are tested.

The test is designed for prospective students who want to take an undergraduate programme and who are unable to submit any documentation from their home country. (Does not yet apply to FH Münster - University of Applied Sciences.)



Recognition of qualifications obtained outside Germany

www.anererkennung-in-deutschland.de

Recognition finder that will navigate you step by step through the process of having your qualifications recognized.

www.anabin.kmk.org

The database provides information about the assessment of qualifications obtained outside Germany and helps authorities, employers and private individuals to classify foreign qualifications within the German education system.

Information about working and training in Germany

www.make-it-in-germany.com

This portal for international qualified professionals contains important information about living and working in Germany – from job opportunities to leisure tips. Target group: qualified professionals and executives from bottleneck professions, mainly in the target countries of India, Indonesia, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Russia and Vietnam.

The platform is primarily directed at qualified professionals, and promotes qualified employment prospects in Germany, mainly for international specialists in the areas of IT, engineering, maths and science.

It also explains the apprenticeship system!

Alternatives to higher education: jobs for refugees and support in entering the labour market

www.mamba-muenster.de

The labour market project MAMBA advises refugees and companies in Münster, and provides support concerning job and training placement. The services are completely voluntary and free of charge, and are offered regardless of residence status and country of origin.

www.workeer.de

National apprenticeship and job exchange directed specifically at refugees.



Funding

www.studentenwerke.de/de/bafog

Assistance in applying for a BAföG grant.

If you are a recognized refugee (a person recognized as being entitled to asylum, a refugee with granted refugee status or subsidiary protection), you can apply for BAföG, irrespective of the time you have already spent in Germany.

If you have exceptional leave to remain or are a holder of certain humanitarian residence permits, you may apply for support 15 months after you applied for asylum in Germany. This provision came into force on 1 August 2016.

www.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium

Website about scholarships for international students.

Points of contact in Münster

www.muenster.de/fuer_fluechtlinge

An overview of services and initiatives currently offered by citizens and institutions in Münster.

www.fluechtlingshilfe-muenster-ost.de

A number of citizens' initiatives in Münster have launched various campaigns to support refugees and to make them feel welcome in Münster. Not all of them have a website. Therefore, do not hesitate to ask in the community and the social workers in the reception centers if they know of any local initiatives.

www.uni-muenster.de/DieBruecke

At the University of Münster, "Die Brücke" is the point of contact for international students. This is the right place for you if you are interested in studying at the University of Münster. The activities offered are open to all those interested.

www.kshg-muenster.de and www.esgmuenster.de

The university parishes regularly provide people with the opportunity to establish contacts, to participate in events and fellowship, and to get to know the German language and culture.



Points of contact in Steinfurt

www.caritasverband-steinfurt.de/Hilfe und Beratung

Points of contact for migration counseling for adult immigrants.

www.steinfurt.de/Integration

Information about current events and services.

www.hilfe.diakonie.de/Angebote für Eingewanderte und Geflüchtete

Offers for immigrants and refugees.