



Information sheet: national visa

Student visa

Basic information

- Documents not in the German or English must be submitted with a certified German translation. A translation of the personal data page of the passport is, however, not required.
- Certificates, diplomas, etc. must be presented in the original with apostille/legalization. Your original documents will be returned to you once your application has been processed.
- The German consulate reserves the right to request further documents.
- Missing documentation delays the procedure and can result in your application being rejected.
- **Please do not contact the mission abroad to check the status of your application during the normal processing period.** Such inquiries are extremely time-consuming for the visa section and can thus not be answered.
- You need to proof your adequate financial means. There are three options: a Blocked Account, a 'Verpflichtungserklärung' signed by a person who is living in Germany or a German scholarship (inclusive Erasmus). Your parents cannot sponsor you by showing their bank account. They can pay in money to your blocked account. A scholarship from other countries than Germany are not accepted (an Erasmus scholarship is accepted).

General information

You need two copies from all required documents. From some documents, you need to take the original. Please prepare 3 sets as following:

Set 1: original documents.

Set 2: first copy of the required documents.

Set 3: second copy of the required documents.



In the checklist, you will read 'two copies'. It means you have to take two copies of the document and divide them over set 2 and 3 as mentioned above. Please do **not** use stickers, sheets or staples between the documents. If a document has of more than one page, please use a paperclip to put the papers together.



Visa application checklist for student visa

The following documents are to be submitted in full with every application.

- Two (2) fully **completed and signed application forms** including declarations pursuant to Section 54 Residence Act. Two copies.
- Two (2) recent **biometrical passport** photos. Please see our [page](#) for the right format. Do not glue the photos.
- Valid passport** with at least two empty pages.
- Two **copies of the information page of your passport**. The information page is the page with your name and birthday. Two copies.
- Residence permit from the Netherlands**. Please take the original and two copies. Original plus two copies.
- Enrollment at university**. Original plus two copies.
- Statement about language of instruction**. When the language of your courses is in German, you need a language certificate German B2. When the course instruction is in another language than German, you need a **statement from the university about the instruction language**. Two copies.
- CV**. In English or German. Two copies.
- Motivation letter**. In English or German. Two copies.
- If applicable, previous academic degrees**. For example your bachelor degree, when you are matriculated for a master. Original plus two copies.
- Proof of financial means**. Applicants must have a disposal of €934 per month. Students, who study several years, need to demonstrate €11.208 for the first year.
Financial mean can be demonstrated by:
 - Blocked Account at a German bank.
 - Verpflichtungserklärung (declaration of commitment) by someone who lives in Germany.
 - German scholarship (inclusive Erasmus).Two copies.
- Tuition fee payment** for at least the first 12 Months. The first 12 months of your tuition fee must be fully paid. The receipt of payment must be taken to the consulate. Two copies.
If your study is less than 12 months, you pay the full period of studying.
- German health insurance**. Your Dutch health insurance is not valid from the day you move to Germany. You have to bring a confirmation of a German health insurance. Two copies.

Application fee

Application fee of €75. Can be paid in cash.