



Quick-Check

Check your options of working and living in Germany with our Quick-Check.

Your options:

Congratulations! With a **foreign university degree** and a **binding job offer**, you have a good chance of working and living in Germany. You have several options:

- You can apply for the [EU Blue Card](/en/visa-residence/types/eu-blue-card) or for a [work visa for qualified professionals](/en/visa-residence/types/work-qualified-professionals) in order to come to Germany and take up employment there. For both residence titles, you must have your **foreign qualification completely recognised** by the competent Germany body. Before applying for a [visa](/en/service/glossary/glossary-visa), inform yourself about the procedure and the possibilities in the "[Recognition](/en/working-in-germany/recognition/academic-qualifications)" section.
- **Please note:** under certain circumstances, you can also apply for the [recognition procedure](/en/service/glossary/glossary-recognition-procedure) after your arrival in Germany within the framework of a **recognition partnership**. Find out more about the [visa for a recognition partnership](/en/visa-residence/types/visa-recognition-partnership).
- **Have you already worked in your profession?** Find out whether you can obtain a [work visa for professionally experienced workers](/en/visa-residence/types/visa-professionally-experienced-workers) based on your **professional experience**.

The following information might help you with your visa application:

- [At a glance: EU Blue Card](/fileadmin/1_Rebrush_2022/a_Fachkraefte/PDF-Dateien/3_Visum_u_Aufenthalt/Visagrafik_EN/2024_Visum_Blaue_Karte_EN.pdf) (PDF)
- [At a glance: work visa for qualified professionals](https://www.make-it-in-germany.com/pdf-visa-skilled-workers) (PDF)
- [At a glance: work visa for professionally experienced workers](/fileadmin/1_Rebrush_2022/a_Fachkraefte/PDF-Dateien/3_Visum_u_Aufenthalt/Visagrafik_EN/2024_Visum_Arbeiten_Berufserfahrene_EN.pdf) (PDF)
- [At a glance: visa for a recognition partnership](/fileadmin/1_Rebrush_2022/a_Fachkraefte/PDF-Dateien/3_Visum_u_Aufenthalt/Visagrafik_EN/2024_Visum_Anerkennungspartnerschaft_EN.pdf) (PDF)
- [Checklist for qualified professionals](/fileadmin/1_Rebrush_2022/a_Fachkraefte/PDF-)



Tip

In order to accelerate the entry process, your future employer can apply for the [fast-track procedure for skilled workers](https://www.make-it-in-germany.com/en/looking-for-foreign-professionals/entering/the-fast-track-procedure-for-skilled-workers) upon payment of a fee. You can inform them about this option.



Please beware

[Special regulations \[fileadmin/1_Rebrush_2022/a_Fachkraefte/PDF-Dateien/Download-Bereich/2023-10-25_Westbalkanregelung_LP_EN.pdf\]](#) apply to citizens of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia regarding the access to the German labour market.

Do you have any questions?

Let us advise you on your opportunities to work and live in Germany. Our experts will support you with questions regarding job search, visa, recognition and learning German.

You can find out more about the various contact options by clicking on one of the icons in the top bar.

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