

Checklist for a job-seeker visa

For the application you require the following documents:

valid passport issued within the last 10 years and with at least 2 empty pages
Application form & declaration (in accordance with Section 54 of the Residence Act) duly signed (2 copies)
Declaration for Additional contact and legal representation information (2 copies)
2 current, identical biometric passport photos
Copy of your passport's data page (A4 size copy) (2 copies)
Proof of accommodation in Germany – must include complete actual address
Proof of vocational or academic training (for example university degree, diploma) and (if applicable) prior work experience
Proof of acknowledgement of your qualification for Germany
Academic degree: Anabin database printouts listing both your degree and the awarding institution OR "Statement of Comparability" by anabin
<u>Vocational training:</u> Proof of recognition of your training; additional information can be found here: https://www.anerkennung-in-deutschland.de/html/en/index.php
General information on the recognition process can be found here
If applicable: "Berufsausübungserlaubnis" e. g. professional practice permit; generally necessary for medical professions, pharmacists, teachers
If you have an acknowledged vocational training:
Current proof of knowledge of German on level B1 with a certificate from Goethe Institute/Max Mueller Bhavan or ÖSD
Proof of sufficient financial means to cover the costs for the time of your stay by one of the following documents by either
 Proof of a "Sperrkonto" (blocked account) in Germany with sufficient funds currently amounting to at least 1.027, EUR/month plus sufficient funds for the return flight OR
"Verpflichtungserklärung" (formal obligation letter) by a sponsor living in
Germany OR
Statements of a current bank account etc.
Duly signed motivational letter / statement of purpose that must contain the following information:
Since when you plan to move to Germany
What type of work or job you intend to do in Germany
If and since when you learn German If you have already applied for jobs (at which company) on have already have.
 If you have already applied for jobs (at which company) or have already been invited to job interviews
Why you intend to move to Germany and not another EU country
Please attach proof of job applications or invitations to job interviews



Proof of personal status in India birth certificate of applicant, Aadhar card (with English translation) if applicable
Curriculum Vitae
If 45 years or older or turning 45 while in Germany: duly signed declaration in regards to provisions for retirement
Proof of health insurance for the duration of your stay

Please prepare two identical sets of applications. Copies have to be size A4. On the date of the visa appointment, you must have originals of all documents with you.

Kindly note that the German Mission reserves the right to ask for additional documents.

Kindly also note that the job seeker visa does not include a work permit. You are only permitted to participate in a try-out-period of no more than 10 hours per week, you are not allowed to take up regular employment. Your visa will however be changed to a residence permit for employment and work permit once you have found adequate employment in Germany.

The submission of the above-mentioned documents does not guarantee that a visa is granted. Submission of incomplete documentation or refusal to appear for a visa interview may result in the rejection of your application. Making untrue statements and/or handing in documents that do not reflect the truth will result in a rejection of your application.