

German Law Q&A with Voice and Text Input

Conversation History

You: hi

Assistant: Hello! How can I assist you today?

You: Refined Query: What are the latest regulations regarding student work hours for international students in Germany who hold an Aufenthaltserlaubnis for studying? How can students legally extend their work hours for opportunities such as internships or part-time jobs beyond the standard limits?

Assistant: As per the latest regulations concerning student work hours for international students in Germany holding an Aufenthaltserlaubnis (residence permit) for studying, the following applies:

1. **Standard Work Hours:** International students are allowed to work up to **20 hours per week** during the semester. Additionally, they are permitted to work **full-time during semester breaks** without any restrictions on the number of hours.
2. **Workdays Calculation:** The workdays are calculated based on the total number of workdays in a year. Students can work up to **140 workdays** per year, equivalent to about **70 weeks** of part-time work of 20 hours each. However, work that fits into the category of student jobs and doesn't exceed this limit (like student internships) is not counted against this total.
3. **Internships and Part-Time Jobs:**
 - If students wish to undertake an internship as part of their study program, they can work beyond the regular limits if the internship is mandatory or credits towards their studies.
 - Students may also apply for an **extension of their work hours** when engaged in approved internships that are part of their study requirements. In such cases, the hours worked can be counted separately and might not contribute toward the 20-hour limit.
4. **Legal Extension of Work Hours:**

- To extend work hours beyond standard limits legally, students should ensure that their internship or job aligns with their study program, meaning it is part of their curriculum or required for obtaining credits.
- Additionally, obtaining consent from the relevant authority (e.g., the local foreigner's office or the employment agency) may be necessary, especially for internships or job opportunities that require longer hours or full-time commitments.

5. **Part-Time Employment Post-Studies:** After completing their studies, international students may apply for an Aufenthaltserlaubnis to search for a job in Germany, allowing up to **18 months** for job-seeking, during which they can work unrestricted.

It is essential for students to stay informed about their residency status and work regulations and to consult with their educational institution or local authorities for any changes or specific guidance related to their circumstances.

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ok so student can work full time as intern?

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Answer: International students in Germany holding an Aufenthaltserlaubnis for studying can work full-time as interns under specific conditions. According to the regulations, students typically have the right to work up to 20 hours per week during the semester and can work full-time during semester breaks. However, if an internship is mandatory and part of their study program, they may be allowed to work full-time during the semester as well.

Key points to consider are:

1. **Mandatory Internships:** If the internship is a required component of their study program, students can work beyond the standard 20-hour limit during the semester. This is applicable when the internship earns them credits toward their degree.
2. **Approval Necessary:** It's important that the internship aligns with their coursework and is recognized by their educational institution. In many cases, students should seek approval or confirmation from their university or local foreigner's office to ensure compliance with the regulations.

3. **General Conditions:** Students must also secure their living expenses during the internship period, as this is a prerequisite for maintaining their residence permit.

Therefore, while part-time work is generally limited to 20 hours a week, full-time internships can be legally undertaken when they are integrated into the student's academic program. Always check with the local authorities or university for the most accurate and relevant information.

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