

Checklist: Timeline for your preparations

Studying abroad is like turning a new page in an unknown world. There are many things to consider, plan and organise. The following timeline will give you an overview of each step you will take on your way to Germany.

12 months before your planned trip to Germany

- Start gathering information about study opportunities in Germany.
- Find out whether you fulfil the requirements for studying in Germany.
 - Is your school-leaving certificate sufficient?
 - Will you have to take a language test?
- Determine how you will finance your study visit in Germany.

6 months before your trip

- Decide on a degree programme and university.
- Contact the International Office at the university of your choice.

4 – 5 months before your studies begin

- Submit your application of admission. Note the submission deadlines!

When you receive your notification of acceptance

- Would you like to live in a student hall of residence? Then apply for a room now.
- Do you need a visa? If so, then apply for one now.
- Do you have a health insurance policy which is recognised in Germany? Then request a statement confirming your coverage from your provider now.

1 to 2 weeks before your trip

- Make sure you have collected all the necessary documents.
- Plan where you will spend your first nights in Germany.
- If possible, arrange appointments by e-mail to view accommodations.

Your trip to Germany!