1. During Arrival – Landing here

If you think you are done after the tiring paperwork for the applying

1. Arrival Assistance

Germans are well planned. What’s amazing is they are well planned not only about their travels but ours too. Most universities offer an arrival service where German students are assigned to pick up new International students on the day they arrive.

So feel free to register for this service and act like a VIP when a German dude is holding your name card at the Bahnhof when you get down the bus/train.

1. Temporary Accomodation

In case you haven’t found a permanent accommodation with a rental contract. You could look for temporary accommodation in your city at Webistes like Airbnb.com -where landlords share their house or a single room with travelers on a pay per day basis.

Also fun is sharing a room with a couchsurfer. You can register yourself at couchsurfing.com and find a host who is willing to host you for a few days until you find your own room.

In case you don’t find any place from the available sites, you can always look for cheaper options at hostel.de

1. German for surviving

Let’s start with German ah ah, that is where you step into the puddle. The German’s call their beloved mother tongue “Deutsch”. Just like English is called “Angrezi” in Hindi.So no wonder this country is called “Deutschland”-the land of Deutsch speaking people.

So the moment you step in , if you find “Wilkommen Deutschland” it wouldn’t seem like rocket science would it? To make yourselves comfortable in this foreign land you [Auslände](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ausl%C3%A4nder)r(Foreigners)

must learn ein bisschen (a little) Deutsch. It doesn’t sound so hard as you’ll see. There are a number of websites and app’s that make learning Deutsch super amusing and fun.

Check out these cool sources to make your German learning fun.

1. Duolingo- perfect app to learn minimal Deutsch vocabulary and pronunciation. It’s fun , interative and you can compete with others trying to learn German.
2. Learn German with Herr Antim- on youtube
3. DW- lernen
4. Deutsch Lernen- they post fun anecdotes on day to day German.
5. Transportation within Germany

Germany is well connected by trains.

The moment you step into airport you can find a connection to the nearest bahnhof(Central bus and train station) straight from the airport.

There are regional trains and ICE(fast trains) to help you reach your destination quicker. For any bus, train connections and booking you can look at the official website of the German Transportation system bahn.de.

In case you prefer to travel by bus, look for meinfernbus.de or megabus.de . They offer cheaper alternative to trains and have more connections even to a remote place.

1. Currency Exchange