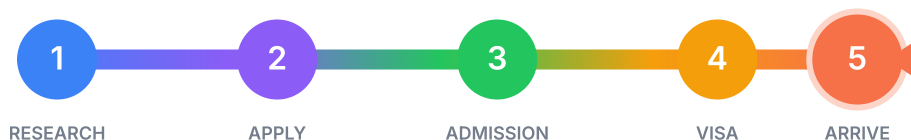


VISUAL INFOGRAPHIC

Application Timeline

Your step-by-step visual guide to applying for
German universities - from research to arrival.



12-18

MONTHS TOTAL

5

KEY PHASES

Oct

WINTER START

Winter Semester Timeline (October Start)

Plan your journey 12-18 months ahead for the best results



Research & Prep	Apply	Admission	Visa & Travel	Arrive!
Research & Prep Dec - Feb	Apply Mar - May	Admission Jun - Jul	Visa & Travel Aug - Sep	Arrive! October
- Research programs & universities - Check admission requirements - Improve German (aim for B1/B2) - Gather required documents	- Submit applications (uni-assist) - Send documents to universities - Track application status - Prepare for interviews (if any)	- Receive admission letters - Accept your offer - Pay semester fees - Get enrollment confirmation	- Open blocked account - Book visa appointment - Attend visa interview - Book flights & housing	- Land in Germany - Anmeldung (city registration) - Open bank account - Start your studies!



Summer Semester (April Start)

For April intake, shift the entire timeline back 6 months. Start research in Jun-Aug, apply in Sep-Nov, receive admission in Dec-Jan, and handle visa in Feb-Mar.

Key Deadlines to Remember

Mark these critical dates on your calendar

Jul 15

Winter Semester Deadline

Most universities require applications by July 15 for October start. Some programs have earlier deadlines - always verify!

Jan 15

Summer Semester Deadline

For April intake, applications close around January 15. Fewer programs available compared to winter semester.

4-6 wks

uni-assist Processing

Allow 4-6 weeks for uni-assist to verify your documents. Apply at least 6-8 weeks before university deadline.

4-12 wks

Visa Processing Time

German embassies typically process student visas in 4-12 weeks. Book your appointment early - waiting times can be long!

Pro Tips for Success

01

Start 12-18 months early. German bureaucracy is thorough - give yourself buffer time for unexpected delays.

02

Get documents authenticated early. Apostilles, translations, and certifications can take weeks to process.

03

Book embassy appointments ASAP. Visa appointment slots fill up fast - book the moment you have your admission letter.

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