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Recognition of foreign educational qualifications

In Germany, **certificates** are very important. You receive certificates at school, at university or at work. At work, they are called job references. A reference tells you what you have learnt and what you have done well. If you want a new job or want to go to another school or university, you usually need a reference. It shows what you can do. You may have already received certificates in another country. Have these certificates **recognised** in Germany. They will check what your certificates mean here. It is also said that your achievements will be translated. If you no longer have your certificates, that is not a problem. Then you can try to show what you have already done and learnt in your job - for example with a test.


Further detailed information

You can also find detailed information on the "Recognition in Germany" portal (in 11 languages) at www.anererkennung-in-deutschland.de. The portal also offers a recognition app in German, English, Arabic, Dari, Farsi, Pashto and Tigrinya.

Specialist advice centre for recognition

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Saaris | IQ Recognition Saar


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 [+49 \(0\) 68121066100](tel:+49(0)68121066100)

 <https://saaris.de/leistungen/fachkraefte-gewinnen...>

 You can register for a counselling appointment via the link in the [IQ counselling portal app](#).

 If you are planning to study or work in academia, please contact the university contact persons for the recognition of your certificates.

Recognition of foreign educational qualifications:

Ministerium für Bildung und Kultur | Anerkennung/Gleichstellung von im Ausland erworbenen Schulabschlüssen im Saarland

 [Trierer Str. 33, 66111 Saarbrücken](#)

 <https://www.saarland.de/mbk/DE/portale/bildungsse...>

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 <https://www.hwk-saarland.de/ausbildung/aner kennun...>

Official certification of certificates

You have a document for your application for a study place. For example, a certificate. The authorities want to know whether the document is genuine. To do this, you must have it officially notarised. This is also important for enrolment at a university. All copies of certificates must be officially notarised.

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Only for documents for application to study at [Saarland University](#).

Some notaries make notarised copies of foreign-language documents; you can find a list [here](#).

You can get a certified copy of your residence permit at the [Bürgeramt](#) in your city.