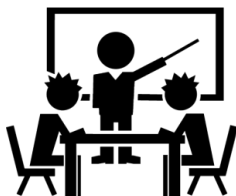


Vocational training and university studies

Many professions in Germany are learnt simultaneously at school (vocational school) and in the company (training company). In Germany, this is called dual vocational training.

During the three-year training period, the company pays a training allowance. If you perform well, you will have the opportunity to continue your training and later even take on management tasks in the company or become self-employed.



It is possible to make up for a missing graduation certificate in a vocational preparatory class. Within the framework of a dual training programme, the apprenticeship position is awarded directly by the company. Interested persons must apply to a company as they would for a normal job. The employment agencies can help with the placement process.

Many companies try to recruit trainees at a very early stage, so that training positions are often advertised and filled a year in advance. For some professions, such as nursing and education, the training is provided centrally by a special school.

In Germany, there are also different types of universities which offer different degrees and career paths. You can find more information on the topic of **studying** [here](#).

You can find information on [training assistance \(BAföG\)](#) and [Aufstiegs-BAföG](#) here.

If you are looking for a suitable vocational training placement or degree programme, please contact the Career Information Centre at the Federal Employment Agency (Agentur für Arbeit). There, you will receive information on the content, structure and pre-requisites for specific vocational training or degree programmes.

Bildungsberatung Garantiefonds Hochschule federal programme (advice and support for immigrants wanting to study or work)

The Bildungsberatung Garantiefonds Hochschule (GF-H) is a federal programme funded by the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ).

It advises and supports young immigrants in starting or continuing an academic career. Together with the Otto Benecke Stiftung e. V., we implement the guidelines of the Garantiefonds Hochschule.

The central management is located at the office of the Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft Katholische Jugendsozialarbeit (BAG KJS; Federal Association of Catholic Youth Social Work) e. V.

The Bildungsberatung Garantiefonds Hochschule programme has 22 [counselling centres](#) nationwide

Career Information Centre (BIZ; Berufsinformationszentrum)

At the Career Information Center ([BiZ](#)) of the Employment Agency, you will find everything you need for your job search. During opening hours, you can search for information there on your own - without an appointment. [Here](#) you will find the location responsible for you.

In addition, the Employment Agency (Agentur für Arbeit) also offers individual counselling by appointment.

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