

Working as an international student in Germany

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1. Working as an international student in Germany

- a) Regulations
- b) Job market situation for students
- c) Language
- d) Key factors for a successful career start



2. Scholarships



3. Upcoming events



**As an international student,
how many days a year are
you allowed to work?**

→ Write your answer in the chat.

It depends...

residence status

EU / EEA

non-EU



Students from the European Union and European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland

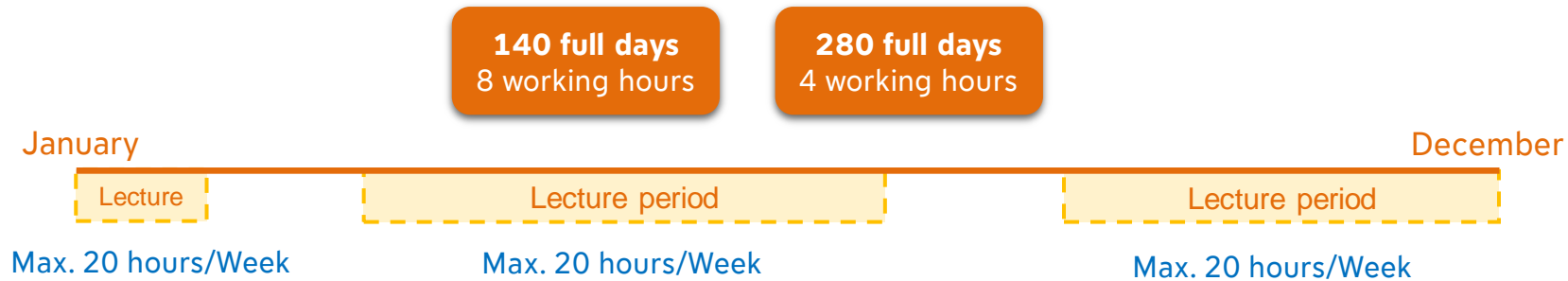
- You may take up any type of work in Germany under the same conditions as German students
- If have a part-time student job or a paid internship in Germany, your European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) is then no longer valid
- **You must take out health insurance in Germany**



It should not affect your academic performance



Students from third countries with residence according to §16b Residence Act



If you wish to work more than the permitted number of days you need **prior and written approval from the foreigners' registration office**



Student assistant

(Studentische Hilfskraft)

- at FAU
- at a scientific institution (Max-Planck Institute, Fraunhofer Institut)
- at the Student Service Organisation (Studierendenwerk, STW)
- or in the students' union (AStA/STURA)
- work contract with max. 20h/week
- **not** counted towards the 140 full or 280 half working days

Working Student

(Werkstudent)

- at a company
- max. 20h/week during lecture times
- >20h outside lecture times
- counted towards the 140 full or 280 half working days

Intern



Compulsory internships Paid work for final theses

- With any suitable employer
- mostly full time
- **not** counted towards the 140 full or 280 half working days
- No need for permission of the Immigration Office or Employment Agency

Voluntary internships

- With any suitable employer
- mostly full time
- counted towards the 140 full or 280 half working days
- If it exceeds these days, you need permission of the Immigration Office



Is it necessary to know German in order to work in Germany?

No, but...

- German is the only official language in Germany
- Very limited job openings for applicants with no or little German skills
- Most companies ask for **at least B2** German skills

Key factors for a successful career start

- **Practical experience in Germany**

The longer the practical experience and the more closely it aligns with the field of study, the higher the likelihood to find a successful career start.

- **Your background matches the industry-specific demand**

Inform yourself!

- **Knowledge of the application process**

Check out the weekly Career Service webinars.

- **Knowledge of the German language**

Learn as much as you can. You will need B2-C1 for most positions.

- **Network in relevant areas**

Connect with relevant professionals.

Take advantage of Career Service events.



Deutschlandstipendium

- For gifted and talented university students
- Important are the grades achieved so far during your studies or during the Bachelor
- 300 Euros / month
- online application at FAU site

Oskar Karl Forster scholarship

- For gifted and talented university students who are in financial need
- for purchasing books or other study materials
- between 100 and 500 euros, one-off payment
- online application at FAU site

www.career.fau.eu

Preparing a job application



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Career Day



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10:00 – 11:30

Mastering the Career Ladder: Practical Tips for Job Applications and Interviews

Speaker: Silke Koppitz, time: 10:00 - 11:30 Uhr, via Zoom, Language: English, Target group: international students and graduates of all subjects areas

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12:00 – 13:30

AI, Social Media and Application – What You Need to Know about Tools and Features

Speaker: Dr. Eva Reichmann, time: 12:00 - 13:30 Uhr, via Zoom, Language: English, Target group: international students and graduates of all subjects areas

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14:00 – 15:30

Finding your personal career vision

Dozent: Kristian Schubert, Veranstaltungszeitraum: 14:00 -15:30 Uhr, via Zoom, Veranstaltungssprache: Englisch, Language: English

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