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Visa for skilled workers holding an academic degree (Section 18b Residence Act) – without family

Online Visa application

You want to submit an application for a national visa as a skilled worker holding an academic degree and do not have any family members, who want to move with you to Germany? In this case you can apply for the visa online via the Consular Services Portal of the Federal Foreign Office. After you have uploaded the application form and the necessary documents, your documents will be checked in advance to ensure they are complete and questions can be clarified via the portal before the actual appointment at the embassy. During the appointment at the embassy, only your identity will be verified, you will have to submit your biometric data (fingerprints and photo) and the visa fee will have to be paid.

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As a skilled worker with an academic qualification recognized in Germany, you will be issued a residence permit to engage in skilled employment.

You can find out more about living and working in Germany at www.make-it-in-germany.com

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