

MASTER'S IN GERMANY

COMPLETE GUIDE FOR INDIAN
STUDENTS

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INTRODUCTION

The country of Germany is well-known for its contribution to technology and automobile. Along with being one of the strongest economies in the world, living in Germany is synonymous with excellent lifestyle, host of opportunities to work in top corps and well, great career graph.



To grab a job in Germany, one of the most recommended options is to pursue a master's degree in Germany. Of course, the internationally acclaimed universities, programs designed to shape the students for the actual work at their jobs and experienced faculty is the prime reason why students should study in Germany.

Through its 400+ public universities and 100+ private institutions, your dream to studying abroad in Germany can be a reality!

In this e-book, we shall be covering the aspects involved in choosing Germany as a study abroad destination.

WHY GERMANY

Top Reasons to choose Germany for your Masters:



1. Programs in English

Yes, you heard it right. Language isn't a barrier anymore. You can pursue programs of your choice that are completely taught in English without learning German. Having basic German handy is always recommended but it can't be a barrier to keep you from studying in Germany.

2. International Acclaim

Degrees from Germany are not just recognised across the globe, they are in fact acclaimed. Once you have a master's degree from Germany, you can apply for corporations and companies across the globe.

3. Ease of Living

The beautiful cities and even more beautiful towns with an international vibe combined with classic European atmosphere makes for an interesting living experience. Don't forget the strong economy and great infrastructure make life in Germany very easy!

4. Affordability

Germany is known to be expensive to live in general but its public universities offer education to local as well as international students for 0 tuition fees. Along with scholarships, campus jobs and financial aids, the private institutions also make sure that a master's degree in Germany is affordable to all.

5. Access to world's best companies

Germany is the home-ground of some of the top corporations that dominate the business and automobile world. Pursuing a master's degree here equals to access to opportunities to intern and work for these top names!

TOP CITIES FOR MASTER'S

While there are 100+ cities and towns in Germany that offer globally recognised programs, here's the list of cities that are home to the most reputed universities.

1. **Aachen**
2. **Berlin**
3. **Bochum**
4. **Bonn**
5. **Bremen**
6. **Deggendorf**
7. **Dortmund**
8. **Dresden**
9. **Duisburg**
10. **Düsseldorf**
11. **Frankfurt am Main**
12. **Hamburg**
13. **Hannover**
14. **Heidelberg**
15. **Karlsruhe**
16. **München**
17. **Stuttgart**

TYPES OF GERMAN UNIVERSITIES

To pursue master's degree in Germany, it is important to select the right university. Germany has a host of courses and programs that belong to diverse fields ranging from engineering to arts and business to sciences. Different types of universities offer specific types of courses.

Here's an overview of the types of German Universities

- **Colleges of Arts, Film and Music**

Best-suited for candidates looking for creative disciplines

- **Technical Universities**

Preferred choice for students looking to specialise in science, engineering and technology

- **Research Universities**

Recommended for individuals interesting in research work

- **Applied Sciences**

Perfect for candidates focussing on Engineering, Management, Business and Finance

TOP MASTER'S PROGRAMS

1. Administration Studies
2. Architecture Studies
3. Aviation
4. Business Studies
5. Construction
6. Design Studies
7. Economic Studies
8. Education
9. Energy Studies
10. Engineering Studies
11. Environmental Studies
12. Fashion
13. Humanities Studies
14. Journalism and Mass Communication
15. Languages
16. Law Studies
17. Life Sciences
18. Management Studies
19. Marketing Studies
20. Natural Sciences
21. Social Sciences
22. Sport
23. Sustainability Studies
24. Technology Studies

TOP UNIVERSITIES IN GERMANY FOR MASTER'S

Top 5 public universities

1. LMU Munich
2. Technical University of Munich
3. Heidelberg University
4. Humboldt University of Berlin
5. University of Freiburg

Top 5 private universities

1. Friedensau Adventist University
2. The FOM University of Applied Science for Economics and Management
3. SRH University Berlin
4. GISMA Business School
5. Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin

COURSE STRUCTURE

A master's degree in Germany is typically 2 years long. Most of the master's programs are taught courses where students are expected to complete academic modules followed by a dissertation or project.

Most master's programs in Germany are offered in semester pattern. A total of 120 ECTS credits have to be fulfilled, 90 are attributed to academic work and 30 for dissertation/research project.

German master's programs are offered as MA (Master in Arts) or MSc (Master in Science) followed by the specialization. A business degree is offered as MBA, although there are few specialized business degrees offered as MA or MSc.

The students are scored on the scale of 1(best) to 5(fail).



APPLYING FOR MASTER'S IN GERMANY

Eligibility criteria

Germany follows the common European format known as the 'Bologna Process'. Master's degrees in Germany are second cycle qualifications. To pursue a master's degree in Germany, the students need to have a bachelor's degree or equivalent. This bachelor's degree needs to be from any university that is recognised by the German university you are applying into.

Depending on the course you've chosen, candidates have to provide a valid score for a test exam. GRE, GMAT, TOEFL are few international exams that can be used to get into a master's program in Germany.

Along with these entrance exams, previous academic records play an important role in making a student application stronger.

Few universities have a student interview that is used as a screening process for student application.

If the chosen master's program is taught in German language, a valid score of German language test or equivalent qualification is a pre-requisite for applying in a German University for masters.

Application Process

Germany doesn't have centralised application process and students need to send application documents with transcripts of academic scores to universities separately. Students can simultaneously apply for multiple universities. There is an individual fee for each application.