

How to study Medicine in Germany

Some basic information:

1. A degree course in Medicine takes six years and three months and is completed by a state exam (*Staatsexamen*), which is the precondition to obtain a license to practice (*Approbation*).
2. **Medical education is provided in German language only.**
3. Application for a degree course in Medicine is extremely competitive.
4. A degree course in Medicine is very time and energy consuming.
5. **Neither DAAD nor any other German organizations provides scholarships for foreign students studying Medicine in Germany.**

Admission requirements:

1. A levels certificate comprising one language, Chemistry and two more subjects from Maths, Biology or Physics. One subject may have been completed at AS level, but not Chemistry. + Knowledge of German language at Level C1 or C2 (check requirements of university). OR
2. FSc + one year *Studienkolleg* (M course) + general university entrance exam (*Feststellungsprüfung*). To apply for admission to *Studienkolleg*, knowledge of German language level B1 is required. The *Feststellungsprüfung* later also will prove your proficiency in German. OR
3. FSc + two successfully completed years of MBBS course at a Pakistani university + Knowledge of German language at level C1 or C2

Some universities run additional aptitude tests. It is also highly recommended to bring proof of three months of practical nursing at the time of application.

How to find the right university?

As a rule, degree courses in Medicine are run by the Faculties of Medicine at German universities and not by special medical schools. You can get a list of universities offering degree courses in Medicine by using the platform www.study-in.de (fill in "State examination" and "Medicine"). To find the best university for you, you may use the ranking offered at <https://ranking.zeit.de/>. But keep in mind: The most popular universities for Medicine (Heidelberg, Münster, Greifswald, Aachen, Berlin) are also those who receive the highest number of applications.

What should you do before you apply?

1. Start learning German early enough. If you cannot learn enough German at school, contact Goethe Institute Karachi, Annemarie Schimmel House Lahore or NUML Islamabad.
2. Make yourself familiar with the faculties of Medicine in Germany and their degree courses. Some universities have recently introduced new and innovative curricula.
3. Complete an internship at a hospital.
4. Select your AS / AL courses according the requirements for Medicine.
5. If you have obtained or will obtain an FSc degree, make yourself familiar with the *Studienkollegs* and their requirements for admission (see special information sheet).
6. Arrange for your financial resources. You will need a minimum of 8,000 Euro per year.

More information:

www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/nach-deutschland/downloads/wd-medizin_en.pdf

www.bundesaerztekammer.de/page.asp?his=4.3575

www.charite.de/en/studies/ (example)

<http://studienkollegs.de/home.html>