



Required German Language Skills Depending on the Type of Visa According to the Residence Act (AufenthG)

TYPE OF VISA

REQUIRED GERMAN LANGUAGE SKILLS ACCORDING TO THE COMMON EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK OF REFERENCE FOR LANGUAGES (CEFR)

▫ Work visa for qualified professionals	▫ No specific language level required
▫ EU Blue Card	▫ No specific language level required
▫ Visa for seeking employment (people with vocational qualifications)	▫ German language skills at least at level B1
▫ Visa for seeking employment (higher education graduates)	▫ No specific language level required
▫ Visa for the recognition of foreign qualifications	▫ German language skills at least at level A2
▫ Visa for employment within the framework of a recognition partnership	▫ German language skills at least at level A2
▫ Work visa for professionally experienced workers (incl. IT specialists)	▫ No specific language level required
▫ Visa for vocational training	▫ German language skills at least at level B1
▫ Visa for seeking a vocational training place	▫ German language skills at least at level B1
▫ Visa for self-employment	▫ No specific language level required
▫ Visa for studying	▫ As a general rule, German language skills at least at level B2 (depending on the study programme)
▫ Visa for seeking a place in higher education	▫ Language requirements of the desired study programme
▫ Visa for research	▫ No specific language level required
▫ Visa for language acquisition	▫ No specific language level required
▫ Visa for a study-related internship EU	▫ No specific language level required