



Visa application for Students

Please note that the application will only be accepted when it is **complete**. **Only** the submission of a **complete application** with all documents **according to our leaflets** guarantees a prompt processing of your visa application. We hereby wish to inform you that the competent alien's authority in Germany has to be notified about any long term visa application. The authority also has to give its consent according to the travel purpose. Complete documentation does not guarantee the issuing of visas. Using **falsified documents** may result in the refusal of the application. **The visa fee amount of 75,00 Euro (only payable in 500 and 1.000 Naira bills)** will **NOT** be reimbursed if the visa is refused, regardless of the reasons for the refusal. Application forms are free of charge.

Visa applications of minors are possible only if accompanied by a person entitled to custody. If this is not possible, the minor has to be accompanied by an authorized representative.

The authorized representative has to bring along the original and signed power of attorney as well as an picture identification card.

It is recommended not to buy a flight ticket until the visa is granted!

Every applicant is asked to provide the following **mandatory** documents (**original + 2 copies** of each document, unless otherwise specified) **after** registered for an appointment via our website www.nigeria.diplo.de:

- valid passport + 2 copies of its data page – **only E-Passports can be accepted, no observations or renewals allowed**
- for non-Nigerian nationals residing in Nigeria: copy of Nigerian residence permit
- 2 **fully filled** Visa Application Forms (Application for a Residence Permit) – **NO copies required!**
- 2 signed declarations according to Section 54 Paragraph 2 Nr. 8 of the German Alien's Law
- 2 passport photos according to biometric specifications, one attached to application form and one loose (both identical photos)
- school Leaving Certificates of Primary and Secondary School / WAEC Certificate
- proof of previous academic studies/professional training/ work experience (if applicable)
- NPC birth certificate or Declaration of Age deposed to by head of Family (please note that an NPC birth certificate may only be accepted if the applicant is born after December 13th, 1992)
- **up to date** letter of admission from the university in Germany
- proof of knowledge of the German language, if applicable
- **printed** (NOT handwritten) and personally signed letter of motivation, **max. one page (A4)**
- **printed** (NOT handwritten) and personally signed Curriculum Vitae stating all visited schools, universities as well as listing all employers until date of visa application, **max. two pages (A4)**
- due to limited capacities an prepaid courier envelope by any major courier service to return your passport and documents
- proof of financial means for the duration of your stay, max. one year by one of the following options:
 - a) **fully funded** blocked German bank account bearing a minimum amount of **853,- per month / 10.236,- € for one year**. Further information you find on our webpage under the following Link: [Blocked Account](#).
 - b) **original** official German declaration of sponsorship („Verpflichtungserklärung“) for the purpose of studies/ language course given before the competent German authority (Please note: Financing is usually only secured if declarant resides in Germany)

- c) proof of a scholarship financed from **German public funds** or **European supported funds** covering the arising costs

The General Consulate will **only** accept applications with **fully funded blocked** accounts OR **original** formal obligations marked **“nachgewiesen”** OR a scholarship financed from **German** public funds or **European** supported funds.

If applicant is a minor:

- affidavit of consent of the parents for the studies of the child in Germany
- copy of both parents passports
- if one parent is deceased: Death Certificate
- if parents are divorced: Court Order regarding child's custody

Supplementary information or evidence may be requested in each individual case.

Please be informed that incomplete applications (e.g. missing set of copies) are likely to be rejected!

Please refrain from bringing bags with you to your appointments at the Consulate General.

Thank you for your understanding.