



Consulate General
of the Federal Republic of Germany
Lagos

Visa application for Students and Language Course Students

This is to inform you that all checklists as well as application forms are free of costs. The Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany hereby wishes to inform you that the competent alien's authority in Germany has to be notified about any longterm visa application. The authority also has to give its consent according to the travel purpose. **From September 1st 2017, the visa fee amounts to 75,00 Euro (only payable in Naira).** Please be informed that a visa application will be rejected in cases of bribery.

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

- 2 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
- Valid passport +2 copies of its data page
- 2 identical passport pictures according to biometric specifications, one attached to application form and one loose
- School Leaving Certificates of Primary and Secondary School/ WAEC-Certificate
- Proof of previous academic studies/professional training/ work experience (if applicable)
- Birth Certificate from National Population Commission or Declaration of Age deposited 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*)
- Biographically old documents (older than 5 years) to verify identity (such as library card, baptism certificate, vaccination card etc.)
- Letter of admission to the university/ Confirmation of registration for language course

- Proof of knowledge of the German language, if applicable
- A “WAEC-direct access card“ (scratch card to access WAEC results online, available e. g. at Spring Bank and Wema Bank)
- prepaid courier envelope by any major courier service
- **handwritten** letter of motivation
- Curriculum Vitae stating all visited schools, universities as well as listing all employers until date of visa application
- Proof of financial means for one year by one of the following options:
 - a) Confirmation of **blocked** German bank account bearing an amount of minimum 8.640,-€. During the visa process applicants have to submit proof of having sufficient financial means for living in German. This can be done by opening and funding a blocked account. You have free choice of provider. To the best of the Consulate General’s knowledge, the following banks offer blocked accounts (*FINTIBA, Deutsche Bank, X-Patrio*) that meet the requirements of the visa procedure. Information on providers that offer this service worldwide is available on the [Federal Foreign Office website](#) .
 - b) 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 scholarship of a German/ European organization covering the arising costs

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 be informed that the maximum size of a bag/backpack/luggage admissible to the Consulate is 30 cm x 40 cm x 15 cm. Please refrain from bringing bags larger than these measurements with you to your appointments at the Consulate General. Bags bigger than 30 cm x 40 cm x 15 cm cannot be stored at the Consulate which is why applicants who bring such bags with them cannot be allowed into the Consulate. Thank you for your understanding.