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## Information sheet: national visa

## **Visa for Intensive Language Course** (Section 16b Residence Act)

## **Basic information**

- Please check the basic information on the website first
- The German mission is only competent should you have your permanent residence in Tanzania
- Documents not in the German or English language must be submitted with a certified German translation. A translation of the personal data page of the passport is, however, not required.
- Certificates, diplomas, etc. must be presented in the original with apostille/legalisation. Your original documents will be returned to you once your application has been processed.
- As a rule, visa applications must be approved by the relevant foreigners authority in Germany. The
   visa can only be issued when this approval has been received.
- Processing time is as a rule ca. one months once application is complete but can take longer in individual cases.
- Flight reservations are not required to apply for a visa please only book when you have received your visa.
- The mission abroad reserves the right to request further documents.
- Missing documentation delays the procedure and can result in your application being rejected.
- Please do not contact the mission abroad to check the status of your application during the normal processing period. Such inquiries are extremely time-consuming for the visa section and can thus not be answered.

## **General information**

A visa for learning German can only be issued for participating in an intensive language course.

An intensive language course requires that it is limited in time from the outset, usually involves daily instruction (at least 18 hours of instruction per week) and is geared toward acquiring a comprehensive knowledge of German. Evening and weekend courses do not meat the criteria.

Use the following checklist to make sure your application documents are complete. Please bring a print out to your interview.

All documents listed here are to be submitted in the requested form and order.



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	Visa application checklist
The following documents are to be submitted in full with every application.	
	One fully <u>completed and signed applications</u> including declarations pursuant to Section 54 Residence Act
	Where applicable: one declaration fully completed and signed regarding contact details and power of attorney
	One recent biometric passport photo (see specimen photos)
	Valid passport (personally signed and with at least two completely empty pages)
	One uncertified copy of the data page of your valid passport
	Proof of enrolment in an intensive language course (at least 18 lessons per week) and proof that the fees of the course are already paid for
	Proof of reason why you intend to do a language course (e.g. contract of formation, enrolment, job offer)
	Proof of previous education/degree
	Proof of previous work history (job references)
	Curriculum vitae
	Letter of motivation explaining your reason for taking the language course
	Proof of accomodation
	Proof of previous level of German language skills (e.g. certificate of attendance at language institute)
	Proof of adequate financial means <u>Financing</u>
	To stay in Germany the applicant must have at their disposal at least 992,- € net per month (if you can proof that the language course is followed by studies) or 1.091,20€ net per month (for all other cases). Proof must be submitted with the application of financial means for at least one year, that is at least 11,208 € (for example, in the <u>form of a blocked account</u> or a formal letter of obligation 'Verpflichtungserklärung' undertaken by a third person to cover all costs).
	Proof of <u>adequate health insurance</u> cover  If as a student you want to take out statutory health insurance, you must bear in mind that this insurance can only begin when you take up residence in Germany and after enrolment. If you enter Germany beforehand, private health insurance must be taken out for the period prior to enrolment and registering for statutory health insurance. In its terms and conditions, travel health insurance can exclude protection if a long-term or permanent stay is planned. So-called incoming travel insurance can also contain such exclusions.



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In the case of preparatory language course or internship	
☐ Acceptance for preparatory language course or internship	
Applicant of a nationality other than Tanzania	
□ Proof of habitual abode by Tanzania	
Fee	
□ Visa fee of 75 €. Payable in TZS	
Completeness of application	
$\square$ The application is complete: $\square$ Yes $\square$ No, the information/documents indicated above are lacking.	
Declaration when applications are not complete:	
I have been informed that my application is not complete. I am aware that submitting an incomplete	
application can lead to the application being rejected. I would like to submit my application	
nevertheless.	
place, date, signature	