

RESIDENCE PERMIT – Blue Card/Academics

Please prepare the following documents for your interview:

- One completed application forms for a residence permit
- One recent biometric passport photo
- Completed and signed ORIGINAL form “Erklärung zum Beschäftigungsverhältnis” by your employer plus one plain copy
- Original of German university degree or recognized foreign degree comparable to a German degree plus one plain copy
- Provided you have a foreign degree, a printout of confirmation on recognition of the degree as well as the University from ANABIN website (see notes below)
- One copy of your employment contract / binding job offer with details of gross annual salary
- Visa fee: 75 Euro payable in New Zealand Dollars
- Applicant’s valid passport and one copy of the data page
- Curriculum vitae of professional career, including certificates, diplomas, etc.

Please note:

- The “Erklärung zum Beschäftigungsverhältnis” has to be submitted **IN THE ORIGINAL** (not an e-mail printout!). Please have your employer send it to you by courier.
- Documents in a foreign language other than English must include a certified translation
- In individual cases, you may be required to provide additional information
- You can check whether your foreign university degree is recognized or comparable by consulting the Anabin database: <http://anabin.kmk.org>
- Please include a self-addressed courier envelope
- Please ensure that your application documents are complete. Incomplete applications may result in rejection of the visa