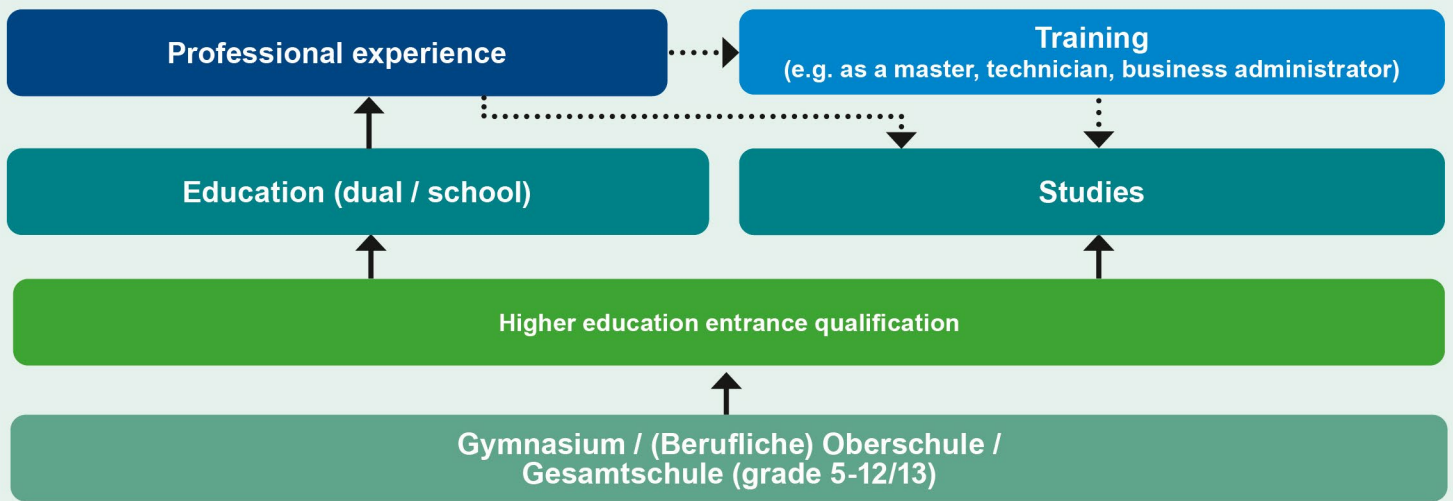


Arrival in Germany – information about school and studies

In Germany, school **attendance is compulsory** (grade 1 – 9/10). This is followed by a further three years of compulsory (vocational) school attendance. And then?

1. OVERVIEW: secondary level II schools and paths to studies and careers in Germany? *



* The German system differs from state to state. An overview of the provisions in the individual Federal states can be found at: abi.de/orientieren/was-will-ich-was-kann-ich/schule-schuelerwettbewerbe/schulsysteme-der-bundeslaender



2. ORIENTATION: studies and careers – what suits me?

To find out, it is good to explore your own **strengths and interests**. The following websites will help with this:



Studies:

abi.de/unterstuetzung/start-in-deutschland/what-interests-me-what-can-i-do-well



Education:

www.planet-beruf.de/schuelerinnen/was-will-ich-was-kann-ich/was-will-ich

3. DECIDING: where can I find information about degree programmes?

Overviews of **fields of study** can be found on the following websites:

<https://studienwahl.de/en/study-opportunities>

abi.de/studium/studienbereiche

<https://berufe.tv>

You can search for **concrete course** offerings throughout Germany here and filter by location or field of study:

<https://studienuche.arbeitsagentur.de>



Note: information about dual or school-based vocational training can be found at www.planet-beruf.de **planet-beruf.de**

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4. APPLYING: how do I get a university place?

Found the right degree programme? Then it's time to **apply**.

Information about university application can be found here:

<https://studienwahl.de/en/application-admission>

abi.de/bewerbung/studienplatz/bewerben-oder-direkt-einschreiben



Important: certificates or supporting documents from your country of origin may need to be **validated** for acceptance in Germany.

More information about this can be found on the following websites:

abi.de/unterstuetzung/start-in-deutschland/what-is-my-certificate-worth

www.arbeitsagentur.de/fuer-menschen-aus-dem-ausland/erkennung-abschluss

www.erkennung-in-deutschland.de



Other important links:

www.germany4ukraine.de

www.studentenwerke.de

Information centres for education in your area:

www.jugendmigrationsdienste.de

<https://bildungsberatung-gfh.de>

Federal Labour Office advisory services:

www.arbeitsagentur.de/ua/ua/ukraine



5. PREPARING: are my language skills good enough?

In Germany, degree programmes are available in German (and to some extent also in English). Before starting your studies, therefore, it can be very important to take a **language course** or participate in **preparation courses** and/or **orientation programmes**.

More information can be found here:

<https://studienwahl.de/en/study-information/entry-and-residence>

www.hrk.de/hrk-international/refugees/

Where can I learn German?

Cities or municipalities offer many language courses.

There are also free online language courses, such as

www.dw.com/de/deutsch-lernen/s-2055

or in the **“Ankommen”** app.



www.abi.de

