



## EU BLUE CARD VISA

If you are an academic, intend to work in Germany and your expected gross annual salary fulfils the minimum salary requirements, it is mandatory to obtain a residence permit in the form of a visa.

There is a minimum salary requirement for the EU Blue Card which is set once a year by the Federal Ministry of the Interior. In 2021, the minimum salary requirements are: 44,304 EUR for scientists, mathematicians, engineers, doctors and IT specialists (so-called STEM occupations) and 56,800 EUR for all other occupations.

All applicants must produce a valid passport. Persons without a resident status in Hong Kong cannot apply.

Please submit the documents listed below in according order in original and two copies each (copies distributed into two sets). Originals will be returned after examination. Copies will not be made by Consulate General staff:

- Fully completed and signed [visa application forms](#)
- [Declaration of genuineness of submitted documents](#)
- Passport, which is valid for at least six months, which was issued in the last ten years and with at least two free pages (copy of photo page and pages with visas, stamps, etc. required)
- **Three** recent passport photos according to biometric specifications
- Contract/binding job offer with details of gross annual salary
- German university degree or a foreign university degree with the confirmation from the [ANABIN](#) website that your degree is recognized in Germany
- Curriculum vitae of professional career, specifying the certificates, diplomas, etc.
- Proof of accommodation / rental agreement
- Proof of health insurance cover with a minimum coverage of EUR 30,000 valid from the time of entry into Germany until start of employment

Processing time can take **2 to 3 weeks**. It is recommended to purchase a flight ticket only once the visa has been granted. Please refrain from requesting visa status update within the two months period after submission. The applicant will be notified promptly, on completion of the processing, receive a prompt notification.

**Visa application fees:**

**75 EUR**, in cash in HKD. The exact amount in HKD depends on the exchange rate.

Please note: Each visa application is reviewed individually. Therefore, the requested documents might vary. The submission of the above mentioned documents does not guarantee the issue of a visa (in time). The Consulate General reserves the right to ask for additional documents at any time. Submission of an incomplete set of documentation may lead to a refusal of your visa application. Once a visa has been issued, the purpose of the trip may not be altered.