



## German Language Course Visa (§ 16f AufenthG)

If you intend to attend a language course (min. 18 hrs per week for longer than 90 days) with a concrete career motivation, e. g. your employer sends you or explicitly recommends the language course for your further career development and gives reasons, you are required to obtain a residence permit in the form of a visa. An application out of personal interest with no evidence of previous efforts to learn German is generally not likely to be successful.

### General Information

- The application can be submitted at the earliest 6 months before the planned entry.
- The standard processing time can take up to 3 months.
- Documents that are not issued in German or English must be submitted together with a translation.
- The Consulate General reserves the right to request further documentation.

### Checklist

Please submit the documents listed below in according order in original and one copy each.

Originals will be returned after examination.

Copies will not be made by Consulate General staff. Please do not staple the documents.

- Fully completed and signed [visa application form](#) (no copy required)
- [Declaration of genuineness of submitted documents](#) (no copy required)
- 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)
- Proof of residency in Hong Kong
  - Hong Kong stay permit and a Hong Kong Identity Card or
  - Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card (only applicable for non Hong Kong passport holders)
- Two passport photos according to [biometric specifications](#) (not older than 3 months)
- Confirmation letter by the language school with details (cost, level, length, etc.)
- Proof of German language knowledge
- Signed motivation letter in German
- Curriculum vitae
- Financial proof with a minimum of 1.091 EUR per month for the entire stay by one of the following:
  - A blocked account (“Sperrkonto”) at a bank showing a minimum amount according to the duration of your intended stay (withdrawal limit of 1.091 EUR per month). You have to open the blocked account directly with the bank or
  - Proof of scholarship or
  - Financial obligation (“Verpflichtungserklärung”) issued by the local aliens authorities in Germany signed by a person supporting you financially

➔ additional documents on page 2



Proof of adequate health insurance for the whole duration of the planned stay

Visa application fee

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