

Research visa

All persons who plan to work as a researcher for an institution in Germany based on a research agreement need a research visa (including their spouses and minor children).

A research visa is a national (German) visa and allows you to enter the other Schengen countries for a stay up to 90 days as a tourist.

As soon as the application with the required documents is complete, it will be forwarded to the local foreigners' office in Germany.

After approval of the application, the German Embassy issues a residence permit in the form of a visa for the first 90 days. A final residence permit is issued in Germany by the Foreigners Authority. Therefore, <u>all</u> <u>holders of residence permits must register upon their first arrival.</u>

- Please present the following documents as originals.
- Prepare <u>two identical application sets</u> in the given order, using copies of the original documents. (We don't keep any original documents.)

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| | Valid passport (issued within the last ten years - valid for at least six months after arriving in Germany - with at least two empty pages) |
| | Application form (fully completed and duly signed including declaration Section 54 (2) 8) |
| | Passport size picture (not older than three months - with a bright background - frontal view of the face) |
| | Copy of all pages* of your passport (* with data and registrations on it, f. ex. other visa) |
| | Norwegian residence permit |
| | effective admission agreement or a corresponding contract to carry out a research project with a research establishment, according to Section 20 of the German Residence Act (§ 20 AufenthG) |
| | Cost absorption by the research institution , according to Section 20 of the German Residence Act(§ 20 AufenthG) |
| | Curriculum Vitae in tabular form in German or English |
| | University degree certificates or proof of previous and/or present studies |
| | If applicable: Consent letter from "Bundesagentur für Arbeit" (to be obtained by your German em- ployer in advance) |
| | Visa fee (approximately 770,00 NOK), to be paid in cash |
| | Proof of housing, if available with full address (f. ex. renting contract, hotel reservation) |
| To be provided after the approval of the visa: | |
| | Proof of travel health insurance |

 Please note that the German Embassy reserves the right to ask for additional documents at any time during the process.

– Submission of the above mentioned documents **does not guarantee** that a visa is granted.

- Incomplete documentation may result in the rejection of your application.