

Eligibility for university studies in Germany for holders of a United States High School Diploma

To study at a university in Germany you need to be eligible according to German law. If you do not hold a German "Abitur" you have to fulfil certain requirements determined by the authorities. This process is not under the responsibility of Frankfurt School. We will, however, guide you through the necessary steps.

Holders of a US High School Diploma are eligible if they fulfill the following criteria:

A total of 16 academic units earned during grades 9th through 12th, including:

- English: 4 units (English IV, Honors, or AP English with at least a C average)
- 2nd Language: 2 units
- Social Studies: 3 units
- Mathematics: 2 or 3 units (Algebra II and Algebra III or Trigonometry or Precalculus with at least a C average) **
- Science: 2 or 3 units (Biology, Chemistry or Physics with at least a C average) *
- Two additional electives
- * Mathematics and Science together need to encompass at least 5 academic units
- ** at least Precalculus is mandatory

<u>In addition to the aforementioned 16 academic units, a student must meet the following requirements:</u>

- An **unweighted** Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.0
- Completion of Advanced Placement (AP) exams.
- The AP exams must all be taken by the end of high school. Prior to this, a corresponding course must have been taken for each AP subject in the 11th or 12th grade
- However, it is also possible to take the AP exam if you have previously completed an honors course or a regular subject course at 11th or 12th grade level

Requirements for AP

- Four AP exams with at least grade 3 in the following subjects:
- English (AP English Literature or AP English Language and Composition)
- Additional language (AP French, Spanish, Latin or German)
- One subject from Mathematics or Science (recognized subjects are: AP Calculus AB oder BC (AP Statistics is not recognized), AP Biology, AP Chemistry or two half AP Physics C)
- One additional subject such as AP European History, AP American History, AP Computer Science or two half AP Macroeconomics and Microeconomics

Unfortunately, with SAT or ACT instead of AP exams you do not fulfil the requirements to get a valid university entrance qualification for Germany.

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