

German Careers and Jobs (<http://german.about.com/library/bljobs.htm>)

Five Questions you need to ask yourself!

German careers or jobs fall into several categories. First, there are positions that require strong ability in German with a company in Germany, Austria or Switzerland. This category may also include a job requiring good German and/or bilingual skills within a company doing business in the US, Canada, Mexico or elsewhere.

Secondly, there are jobs that can be done in English in German Europe. This category would include teaching at Berlitz or a US Department of Defense school in Germany (an ever-shrinking opportunity) or working for a company whose primary business language is English, even in Germany, such as Hewlett-Packard.

Then there are German companies abroad. One should also not forget that German, Austrian and Swiss companies are found all over the world, not just in Germany. You could work for Volkswagen in France, the US, Mexico or many other places around the globe.

Work in German-Speaking Countries (<http://www.umich.edu/~icenter/overseas/work/german1.html>)

SHORT TERM JOBS (up to 6 months)

- Council Work Exchanges (205 East 42nd St., New York, NY 10017-5706; Tel. 888-COUNCIL or 212-822-2674; Email: info@councilexchanges.org; Web: www.councilexchanges.org). Work in Germany Summer Employment Option: work for up to 3 months between May 15 and October 15. Work permit is arranged by CIEE. Look for employment upon arrival or prearrange own job. Intermediate language skills needed. Must be or have been a full time student within previous semester. Must be U.S. Citizen, and have medical insurance. Fee of \$350. No official deadline, please allow app. 4 weeks for processing.
- CDS International (871 United Nations Plaza (First Avenue at 49th Street) New York, NY 10017-1814; Tel: (212) 497-3500 Fax: (212) 497-3535; Web: www.cdsintl.org). CDS offers several different programs in business and technical fields for undergraduates, graduates, and professionals; applicants for programs in Germany must know some German prior to the start of the program. CDS can also help individuals obtain work permits for Germany, Switzerland, and Singapore once they have secured a position.
- Interexchange (161 Sixth Avenue, New York, NY 10013; Tel.: 212-924-0446; Fax: 212-924-0575; Email: info@interexchange.org; Web: www.interexchange.org). Au Pair placements in Austria, Germany and Switzerland. Apply 3 months prior to desired starting date, and expect to stay about six months in all countries. No German required for Switzerland, though some knowledge of the language is very useful. Only Women may apply for Austria. There are application and placement fees of \$300-\$400. Summer resort jobs in Germany. Entry-level in restaurants, shops, and hotels for 3 months. 2 years college German required. Student must be returning student. Application deadline is in early February. There are application fees.
- International Cooperative Education Program (Attn. Guenter and Ellen Seefeldt, 15 Spiros Way, Menlo Park, CA 94025; Tel. 650-323-4944; Fax: 650-323-1104; Email: ICEMenlo@aol.com; Web: <http://www.icemenlo.com>). Paid internships & work abroad placements. Paid, carefully-matched placements in the summer (2-4 months) in Austria, Germany, and Switzerland. This is well-structured program with placement-related assignments. Work abroad positions in retail, hotels/restaurants, hospitals, banks, au pair. Internships in business and engineering. At least one year college German required; more for advanced positions. There is an application fee of \$200 and a participation fee of \$600 if you accept a placement. Apply many months in advance; for summer positions, best to apply before February.
- U.S. Experiment in International Living / World Learning Inc. (P.O. Box 676, Kipling Road, Brattleboro, VT 05302; Tel.: 800-345-2929, ext 2; Fax. 802-258-4328; Email: info@worldlearning.org; Web: www.worldlearning.org). Group Leader, 3-5 week cultural immersion programs for high school students in Europe starting in June. Minimum age 23, Bachelor's degree or equivalent. Experience required working with high school students in leadership positions and experience in the countries where they have programs. All transportation and program costs paid, health insurance, and \$100/week honorarium. Application deadline for the summer is in February. (Please call the 800 number for an application; you need 4 references as to your experiences as a leader and abroad.)

SHORT TERM INTERNSHIPS (up to 6 months)

- AIESEC United States, Inc. (135 West 50th Street, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10020; Tel.: 212-757-3774; Fax: 212-757-4062; Email: aiesec@us.aiesec.org; Web: www.us.aiesec.org). AIESEC-UM (for University of Michigan students ONLY -- Tel.: 662-1690; Email: aiesec.info@umich.edu; Web: www.aiesecmichigan.org). Paid business-related internships (you do not need to be in the Business School). U-M branch of a worldwide student organization; you normally need to be active with AIESEC to be eligible for these internships.

- CDS International (871 United Nations Plaza (First Avenue at 49th Street) New York, NY 10017-1814; Tel: (212) 497-3500 Fax: (212) 497-3535; Web: www.cdsintl.org). CDS Bayer AG Summer Job: either 3 or 4 months with one month language. Work ranging from production to office. CDS arranges the work permit, languages course and affordable accommodations (you are responsible for your rent but not for languages courses). Participant is responsible for airfare and housing. Application fee \$500. Application deadline is the beginning of February.
- CDS Summer Internship Program: 3 month program. Open to college students wanting practical work experience. CDS provides arrangement of work permit, orientation in Germany. Must have knowledge of German. Must find own job and accommodations. Be a US citizen and no older than 29 years of age. Application fee \$500. Application is due in the beginning of February.
- CDS Internship Program: 6-18 months. Practical training for college seniors and recent graduates. CDS assists in locating and arranging a suitable position, arranges work and residence permits, provides orientation in Germany. Participant must have knowledge of German, some related work experience in a business or technical field, be a US Citizen. Participant is responsible for finding housing after one month language course in Cologne, and for transportation costs. Internships are paid and limited numbers of stipends are available. Application fee \$500. Application materials should be submitted 5 months before departure. Note: Interns are required to accept position regardless of location, however applicants are asked whether they would accept the position.
- Council Work Exchanges website: <http://us.councilexchanges.org/opportunities/18plus.html>. Council Work Abroad Year-Round Internship Option. Work permit for 6 months arranged by CIEE. Career-related position must be arranged by participant before US departure. Language, citizenship, student status requirements as stated above. Fee of \$400.
- Educational Programs Abroad (2815 Sarles Drive, Yorktown Heights, NY 10598; Tel. 914-245-6882). Tuition-charging internships in Bonn and Cologne in various fields; Communication, Government, Law Theatre, Business and Social Service. 14 week program begins every September and January. Housing is with centrally-located German families. Intensive language course at beginning of each program. All students also enroll in 2 academic courses. Program charges tuition; academic credit possible.
- IAESTE (International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience) (10400 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 250, Columbia, MD 21044-3510; Tel: 410-997-2200; Fax: 410-992-3924; Email: iaeste@aipt.org; Web: www.aipt.org). Paid internships for students of engineering and sciences. Apply by early December. IAESTE can also assist with work permits if you have a job offer. For juniors, seniors, and graduate students. Non-citizens okay.
- International Cooperative Education Program (For full contact information, see above). Website: www.icemenlo.com. Paid internships & work abroad placements. Paid, carefully-matched placements in the summer (approx. 12 weeks) in Austria, Germany, and Switzerland. This is well-structured program with placement-related assignments. Work abroad positions in retail, hotels/restaurants, hospitals, banks, au pair. Internships in business and engineering. At least one year college German required; more for advanced positions. \$200 application fee, placement fee \$600. Apply many months in advance; for summer positions, best to apply by February.
- Internships International (Att. Judy Tilson, Director; 1116 Cowper Drive, Raleigh, NC 27608; Tel./Fax: 919-832-1575; Email: intinl@aol.com; Web: www.studyabroad.com). Unpaid, non-credit internships in Stuttgart. From 6 weeks to 6 months, mostly in summer must be college graduate or graduate student. \$500 application fee, refunded if placement is not found.
- Émigré Memorial German Internship Program (German Internships, P.O. Box 345, Durham, NH 03824). Please write for more information. Phone or electronic communication will not be accepted. Website: <http://aicgs.org/gardinet/index.shtml> Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate students internships. High level of fluency in German required. From 1-3 months. Application fee from \$60 - \$125 depending on position(s) applied for. Paid positions (up to 2000 DM for the Bundestag, less for the Landestag). Positions available with the German Bundestag and several state parliaments (in Dresden, Wiesbaden, Erfurt, Schwerin, or Mainz). Applications are due in January.
- US State Department, Student Intern Program (U.S. Department of State, Recruitment Division Box 9317, Arlington, VA 22219; Web: <http://www.state.gov/m/dghr/hr/student/>). Student Intern Program (in US embassies abroad or in Washington, DC). Objective: to gain firsthand knowledge of American foreign affairs. Interns will be performing research, report writing, correspondence, information systems, analysis of international issues. Most intern positions are unpaid and in Washington D.C., some overseas positions are available (also unpaid). Unpaid interns are responsible for all costs (housing, food, etc.). Participant must be a continuing student, either junior, senior or graduate student. Must be a US citizen. Application deadline for Summer - November 1, for Fall - March 1, Spring - July 1. Applications and catalogs are available at the International Center or from the State Department's web site.