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Information about Visa for Highly Qualified Third-country Nationals (EU Blue Card)

Note: All information is based on findings and experiences of the Embassy at the time of writing. Despite all care, no guarantee can be given for completeness and accuracy.

Kindly note that the Visa Section of the German Embassy in Budapest does not offer consultation over the phone. Address yourself via e-mail to the Embassy.

General Information

EU Blue Cards are issued by EU member states to third-country nationals. The holder of an EU Blue Card is entitled to take up residence in the EU for the purpose of taking up gainful employment.

Requirements: Applicants must furnish proof that they have a university degree and have been offered a job that would provide a minimum gross annual salary.

In Germany the EU Blue Card can be obtained only from the competent local alien authority. Third-country nationals who are eligible for the EU Blue Card and who require a visa to enter Germany will be issued a national visa for the purpose of taking up gainful employment. Once in Germany, the competent local alien authority will issue the final EU Blue Card.

Documents to be submitted:

- One completely filled out [visa application form](#)
- 1 current biometric passport photo (available at the Embassy for 2.000 HUF)
- Valid passport (original + one copy of the data card and all pages with entries, visa and stamps) with following requirements:
 - its validity should exceed the duration of intended stay in German by at least 3 months
 - it must contain at least 2 blank pages
 - it must have been issued within the previous 10 years
- Hungarian residence permit (original + one copy)
- Hungarian Lakcím (residence) card (original + one copy)
- One completely filled and signed declaration according to § 54 and § 53 Residence Act (visit www.budapest.diplo.de -> Service -> Visa)
- Proof of German academic qualification or a foreign diploma/university degree (original + one copy)
- For a foreign diploma/university degree: proof of acknowledgement or comparability of the foreign degree in Germany in form of a print-out from the database ANABIN, see www.anabin.de (one copy)
- German contract of employment or proof of German job offer with an annual gross salary of at least 45.300,- € (for highly qualified staff in professions with a skills shortage such as natural scientists, mathematicians, engineers, doctors and IT-specialists and recent graduated applicants there is an income limit of at least 41.081,80 € per year) (original + one copy)

- Form „Declaration about the employment“ (Erklärung zum Beschäftigungsverhältnis) (one copy)
– This form has to be completed by the prospective employer
- Personal CV containing full educational and employment history (one copy)
- Proof of health insurance with coverage for Germany (original + one copy)
- If available: statement of current employer (original + one copy)
- If available: proof of acquisition of knowledge of foreign languages, e.g. certificate of language school (original + one copy)
- 75,- EUR payable in cash or credit card(Visa/Mastercard) in HUF.
Cash payments in EUR are not accepted.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Visa applications are accepted by appointment only. For appointments please use our [online appointment system](#) that you find on our website at www.budapest.diplo.de/termin
- Please be informed that in case of incomplete documentation your application cannot be accepted and a new appointment has to be booked.
- All copies should be in DIN A4 format
- Kindly come to the Embassy at least 15 minutes before the beginning of your appointed time-slot and bring the already filled in application forms and all necessary documents mentioned above as original including two copies. If you arrive later than 15 minutes after the beginning of your appointed time or without filled in application forms or documentation, you won't be admitted and have to get a new appointment.

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