

Pre-Arrival Checklist

Valid passport or identity document (driver's licence would not be sufficient).
Valid visa if applicable (If you want to stay for more than 3 month: no C-visa).
Travel Health Insurance (Make sure that you have a valid health insurance for the
time of your trip and the first few days in Germany).
Biometric photograph in case you needed a visa/residence permit (could also be
done in Frankfurt).
Marriage certificate AND Apostille or Legalization. (Contact the International
Office if you have questions concerning the documents.) Both documents must
be translated by a certified translation office (could be done in Frankfurt).
If you travel with your kids: Birth certificate and if you need a visa/residence
permit also the Apostille/Legalization of your kid's birth certificate and the latest
school reports.
Driving license. If you come from the US, Canada, New Zealand or certain other
countries check with the International Office beforehand. Sometimes you can
avoid a lot of paperwork if you bring the "right" license to Germany.
In case of family planning: Your own birth certificates.
Your latest university degrees.