Vocational training in Germany (Ausbildung)

Tiler (Fliesen-, Platten- und Mosaikleger/in)

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You cover floors, walls and façades with tiles, slabs and mosaic: a 3-year training, paid from the first year, for a trade that rewards precision.

LEVEL	DURATION	GERMAN	PAY DURING TRAINING
Baccalaureate required	**3 years** 36 months	**B2** required level	**€1,075 to €1,526** gross / month, during the training

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THE OCCUPATION IN 30 SECONDS

What a tiler does

They cover floors, walls, stairs, pools and façades with tiles, slabs or mosaic: they measure, prepare the base, lay, grout and repair.

Prepare

Measure surfaces, draw up a laying plan, calculate materials and prepare the base.

Lay

Apply adhesive or mortar, lay tiles, slabs or mosaic and fill the joints.

Renovate

Waterproof, repair or replace damaged coverings and treat natural stone.

This occupation is for you if...

- ✓ you like clean finishes and perfectly aligned surfaces
- ✓ you have a sense of space and can read a laying plan
- ✓ you are handy at cutting and fitting small pieces
- ✓ you accept working on your knees and carrying packs of tiles

Less suitable if...

- – you cope badly with working on your knees for long periods
- – you find it hard to carry heavy loads
- – you are looking for an office job

A TYPICAL DAY IN THE WORKSHOP

07:00 **Arrival at the client's home** : The team unloads the tiles, protects the premises and checks the day's laying plan.

08:00 **Preparing the base** : Check and level the floor or wall, applying a levelling compound if necessary.

09:30 **Marking out and cutting** : Transfer the axes to the surface and cut the tiles to the right dimensions.

11:00 **Laying the tiles** : Spread the adhesive and lay the tiles row by row, checking levels and joints.

13:30 **Waterproofing and mosaic** : Waterproof a wet area, then lay sheets of mosaic.

15:30 **Grouting and cleaning** : Fill the joints with grout, clean the surface and put the tools away.

Tile laying | Cutting and fitting | Waterproofing | Reading laying plans | Preparing bases | Grouting

Precision | Care | Spatial sense | Patience | Stamina

THE TRAINING

How the Ausbildung works

In Germany you learn by working: this is the “dual system”. You are an employee of a company and a student at a vocational school (Berufsschule) at the same time.

3 to 4 days a week at the company | **1–2 days school**

Year 1

The basics

- Site, tools and safety
- Plans, measuring and bases
- First tile laying

Year 2

Practice

- Floors, walls and waterproofing
- Heating beneath tiles
- Part 1 of the final exam

Year 3

The trade

- Stairs, pools and façades
- Mosaic and natural stone
- Part 2 of the final exam

Exams and qualification

The final exam (Gesellenprüfung) has two parts: part 1 takes place in the fourth half-year of training, so in the second year, and counts for 40 per cent of the result; part 2 closes the training. You obtain the journeyman's certificate (Gesellenbrief), issued by the competent chamber: HWK for crafts, IHK for industry.

YOU ARE PAID DURING THE TRAINING

What you need to apply

- ✓ Baccalaureate level is required.
- ✓ The required level is B2. Good technical vocabulary for the trade is a real plus.
- ✓ The job calls for good physical fitness: often working on your knees and lifting and carrying packs of tiles, with knee pads and protective gloves.

Documents to prepare

- ✓ CV and cover letter in German
- ✓ Translated baccalaureate diplomas and transcripts
- ✓ German B2 level certificate

AFTER THE TRAINING

Where it can lead

STRAIGHT AWAY

Skilled tiler

Jobs in tiling firms, finishing trades, façade companies or paving businesses.

WITH EXPERIENCE

Further training

Deepen your skills in tile laying or façade construction through short training courses.

LONGER TERM

Master or degree

Take the master tiler's Meister, start your own firm or study civil engineering with university entry.

YOUR PATHWAY WITH CAMPUS GERMANY

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1

CHECK MY ELIGIBILITY

Take the test online or at the office

The eligibility test is done online on our website, or by visiting our Douala office directly.

2

TALK TO AN ADVISOR

Talk to our team

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3

PREPARE YOUR GERMAN

DZK, our language centre

Deutschzentrum KAGEDEV (DZK) is our own language centre in Douala. Outside Douala: partner language centres, call us to find the nearest one.

4

GET THE CONTRACT

AZUFA is always us

AZUFA is our platform: it connects you with German companies that recruit apprentices and follows your application through to the training contract.

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From German A1 to the first day of training in Germany

Each step is run by one of our structures. You keep the same contact from start to finish.

1 — **Check my eligibility**
The test is done online on our website or at our Douala office.
RUN BY CAMPUS GERMANY

2 — **Talk to an advisor**
Review your profile, your wishes and the chosen occupation.
RUN BY CAMPUS GERMANY

3 — **Learn German, from A1 to B2**
Courses adapted to your starting level, up to the required B2 level. In Douala at our own language centre; elsewhere, with our partner centres.
RUN BY DZK

4 — **Prepare the application file**
CV and cover letter in German, translated baccalaureate diplomas and transcripts, B2 level certificate.
RUN BY CAMPUS GERMANY

5 — **Find the company and sign the training contract**
We connect you with German companies that recruit apprentices, and follow your application through to the contract.
RUN BY AZUFA

6 — **Prepare the visa and paperwork**
Support to gather the documents and complete the administrative steps.
RUN BY CAMPUS GERMANY

7 — **Prepare your departure and settling in**
Travel, housing and first steps in Germany: we prepare you before you leave.
RUN BY KAGEDEV E.V.

8 — **First day of training in Germany**
You arrive prepared and supported, with a team that has known you since day one.
RUN BY AZUFA

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