Vocational training in Germany (Ausbildung)

Livestock farmer (Tierwirt/Tierwirtin)

Tierwirt / Tierwirtin

You rear, feed and care for animals on a livestock farm: a 3-year training, paid from the first year, with 5 possible specialisms.

LEVEL	DURATION	GERMAN	PAY DURING TRAINING
Baccalaureate required	**3 years** 36 months	**B2** required level	**€979 to €1,166** gross / month, during the training

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THE OCCUPATION IN 30 SECONDS

What a livestock farmer does

They rear, keep and care for the animals of a commercial farm, in order to sell the animals or their products. The training offers 5 specialisms: cattle, pigs, poultry, sheep (Schäferei) and beekeeping.

Feed

Compose and give out rations, adapting feeding to the age and output of the animals.

Care

Monitor the health of the herd, apply preventive measures and clean the buildings.

Rear

Follow breeding, assist births, rear young animals and sell the production.

This occupation is for you if...

- ✓ you like animals and watch their behaviour closely
- ✓ you are careful and keep accurate records
- ✓ you have a taste for technology and barn equipment
- ✓ you accept regular work, including at weekends

Less suitable if...

- – you cannot stand barn smells and dirt
- – you are uncomfortable around animals
- – you refuse repetitive, physical work

A TYPICAL DAY IN THE WORKSHOP

06:00 **Round of the animals** : Check the health and behaviour of the animals, for example of a herd of cattle.

07:00 **Feeding the animals** : Prepare and give out the rations, then check that each animal is eating properly.

09:30 **Care and prevention** : Apply health measures and treat sick animals following the vet's instructions.

11:00 **Cleaning the barns** : Clean and disinfect the animals' housing and check the equipment.

14:00 **Breeding and young stock** : Watch for heat, help with births and rear the young animals.

16:00 **Keeping the records** : Note performance and treatments in the farm's livestock records.

Animal feeding | Animal health and hygiene | Breeding and rearing | Housing and barn equipment | Machinery and maintenance | Keeping livestock records | Observation | Care and accuracy | Sense of responsibility | Technical sense | Patience

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

Basic training

- Farm, safety, animal welfare
- Feeding and housing animals
- Animal health and hygiene

Year 2

The specialism

- Husbandry for your specialism
- Breeding and production
- Intermediate exam

Year 3

Independence

- Running the livestock independently
- Selling produce, costing
- Final exam

Exams and qualification

An intermediate exam (Zwischenprüfung) takes place before the end of the 2nd year: 2 practical tasks (up to 3 hours) and a written paper of up to 120 minutes. The final exam has a practical part of up to 7 hours (2 tasks with a technical discussion) and written papers specific to your specialism. The certificate is issued under the authority of the Chamber of Agriculture (Landwirtschaftskammer).

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.
- ✓ BERUFENET cites observation, manual skill, technical sense and care, for example for keeping records and cleaning barns and machinery.

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

Qualified livestock farmer

Jobs on livestock farms, at insemination stations, in research institutions or in agricultural trade.

WITH EXPERIENCE

Care specialist

Train as a Klauenpfleger (hoof trimmer) or Fachagrarwirt Klauenpflege (agricultural specialist).

LONGER TERM

Master of livestock (Meister)

Take the Tierwirtschaftsmeister or the Landwirtschaftsmeister to run a farm.

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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