German Higher Education System

Types of higher education institutions
There are three types of higher education institutions in Germany:
- Universities
- Universities of Applied Science
- Colleges of Art, Film and Music

Types of Degree Programmes
- Bachelor-Programmes
  (as single-major or double-major)
  - 3-4 years
- Master Programmes
  - 1-2 years (immediately following bachelor or after a gap (e.g. phases of work)
- Integrated (One-Tier) Programmes
  - Staatsexamen: 4 years (National Examinations in, e.g., Medicine or Education)
  - Diplom/Magister Artium: 4 years
- PhD
  - 3-4 years
  - Doctoral Programmes

Language Requirements
- German is an admissions requirement for (almost) all majors. Requirement varies – Level: min. B1-C2
- English is an admissions requirement for international major programs – Level: min. B1-C1