



German Language: The gateway to success for mechanical engineers

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Abstract

Language is the basis of the life of all human beings of any race, creed, and region of the world. Through language we can express our feelings, desires, and queries to the world around us. Words, gestures and tone unite together to portray a broad spectrum of emotion. The engineering profession is a very important profession and engineers are needed in almost every area of life, right from product design to building construction, an engineer has to adapt to challenges and so it is beneficial if he is proficient in more than one language because not everyone speaks the same language. There are about 6,500 spoken languages all over the world and the ability to communicate in multiple languages is becoming more and more important in the increasingly integrated global world. In Germany there are vast opportunities available for jobs in the sector of mechanical engineering. On the basis of revenue earnings, mechanical engineering enjoys second position in Germany. Students with a degree in mechanical engineering have bright career prospects and opportunities to explore.

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Introduction: Why German?

German is considered to be the most important scientific language. It is the second most popular language on the Internet. German scientists are the world leaders in engineering, pharmaceuticals, pollution control, and natural resources. Germany is Europe's largest economy, the fourth-largest by nominal GDP in the world and the world's second-largest exporter, because of which it a very important language to study.

Germans are world leaders in engineering. If you are fluent in German then you have vast job opportunities in the field of Medicine and healthcare, education, logistics, automobile, power and utility, mass media, entertainment, tourism, information technology, financial services, outsourcing, etc. *It is often said*

"French is language of fashion, Russian is language of Physics, Japanese of Technology and German is language of Machines."

How much knowledge of German is required?

If you want to work in Germany then you have to attain a certain level of proficiency in the language. If you work as an experienced mechanical engineer in the aerospace industry; e.g. at Airbus in Hamburg then probably you do not require a sound knowledge of German but if you want to work in a medium-sized construction company in a non-industrial area then you must have a good command over German. The minimum level is B1 when you are first applying for jobs but you should definitely try to reach B2 level.

Measures taken by the German government

German government has taken some measures to simplify the task of hiring engineers for companies outside Germany.

1. The government is supporting programs that target engineers from high-unemployment countries within the EU like Greece and Spain.
2. The government has also lowered the minimum salary companies must pay a foreign job seeker to a level more similar to the average starting salary of an engineering graduate in Germany.
3. The European Federation of National Engineering Associations offers a card that shows a comparable educational profile for engineers based on international standards.

Conclusion

Multilingual communication plays a vital role where multinational markets are targeted as advancements in engineering are not typically limited to a single country or market. Foreign language skills are essential for making global communications happen, and the ability to speak multiple languages, can make the difference between being hired or promoted. It is a key aspect for success in future professional endeavors.

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