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# Promoting exchange between vocational schools and colleges in Germany and the USA

GATE – German Apprenticeship Training Exchange Grant Program

Join the transatlantic partnership

Are you teaching or working at a U.S. (Community) College and interested in providing your students and staff with an international exchange experience in Germany? Or are you working for an institution or company offering vocational training open to participating in a transatlantic exchange project with Germany? If so, the Joachim Herz Foundation's GATE – German Apprenticeship Training Exchange grant program is for you. GATE is a unique program supporting exchange projects for students and faculty at vocational education institutions and promoting knowledge of Germany's internationally renowned dual professional training model.

## ► Find out more

on our website or contact us for information and advice:  
GATE - German Apprenticeship Training Exchange  
[www.joachim-herz-stiftung.de/gate/en](http://www.joachim-herz-stiftung.de/gate/en)



▲ German apprentices at the Gateway of the Port of Savannah

## How you will benefit

- ◆ Drawing on our extensive network and years of experience, our team will help you find a suitable German partner school and provide useful advice on setting up your exchange project.
- ◆ Get introduced to the Joachim Herz Foundation's broad stakeholder network of vocational schools, chambers of commerce and state or local administrations at our transatlantic networking events.
- ◆ Access the GATE program's financial support for establishing or deepening transatlantic partnerships. After signing of a formal agreement with a German partner school, U.S. colleges can receive GATE funds to cover the travel expenses related to student and faculty visits to German partner schools.

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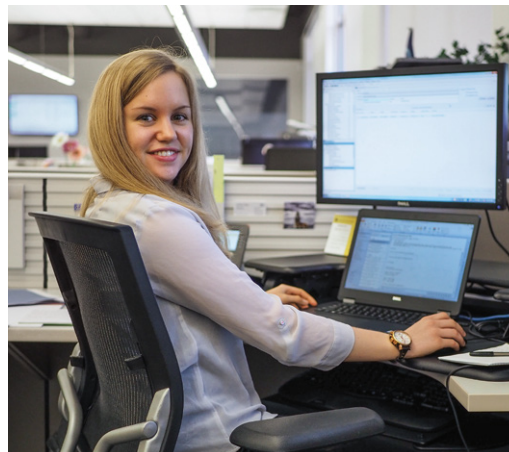
### The German dual educational model, apprentices ('Azubis') and vocational schools

Germany's dual vocational education system is an important and popular career path offering training in 325+ occupations including technical, business and other trades. This model sees participants simultaneously carry out both a paid apprenticeship with a company and classroom studies at a vocational school. It is this combination of training within companies and classroom-based education that gives the dual vocational educational model its name. Thanks to their exposure to both classroom learning and varied practical experience during the two to three years of their training, German apprentices are a highly-skilled workforce sought-after both in Germany and by companies around the world.



▲ German Azubis in Atlanta give their unique internship experience the "thumbs up"

▶ Proficient  
in any work  
environment –  
no matter on  
which side of  
the Atlantic!



◀ All smiles from a young, German professional attending an international college program

### Our mission for supporting intercultural and professional exchange of apprentices and students

International exchange programs during vocational education and training greatly strengthen professional and intercultural skills, especially so in young professionals. During their time abroad, exchange program participants gain insight into different approaches to learning and working, knowledge which enriches their personal and career development.

The Joachim Herz Foundation's GATE program brings together young people and faculty members from various vocational educational systems in Germany and the USA. Educators as well as teams in the companies benefit from this mutual transfer of know-how. Get in touch and learn how you can become part of the exchange!

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