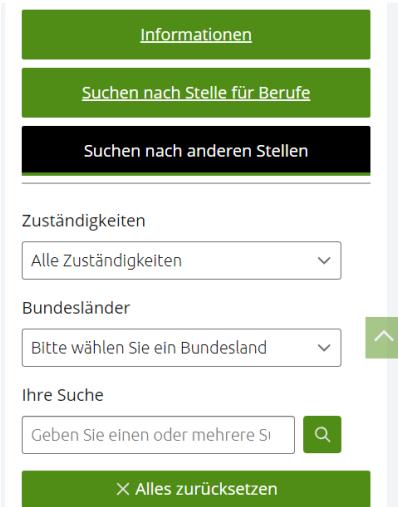


**"I would like to undergo a vocational training programme in Germany and need to have my school-leaving certificate recognised. Which institution can recognise my school-leaving certificate?"**

Please proceed as follows:

- 1) Open the [anabin](#) database "Anerkennungs- und Beratungsstellen in Deutschland" (Recognition and advisory centres in Germany).



- 2) Under "Zuständigkeiten" (Competences), select one of the following options:

- a) Did you attend school for 12 to 13 years and could you now start studying at a university? In this case, select "Zeugnisanerkennung – Anerkennung der Hochschulreife für berufliche Zwecke" (Recognition of certificates – Recognition of higher education entrance qualification for professional purposes).
- b) Did you attend school for 9 to 11 years? In this case, select "Zeugnisanerkennung – Hauptschulabschluss, Mittlerer Schulabschluss" (Recognition of certificates – Secondary modern school qualification, intermediate school-leaving qualification).

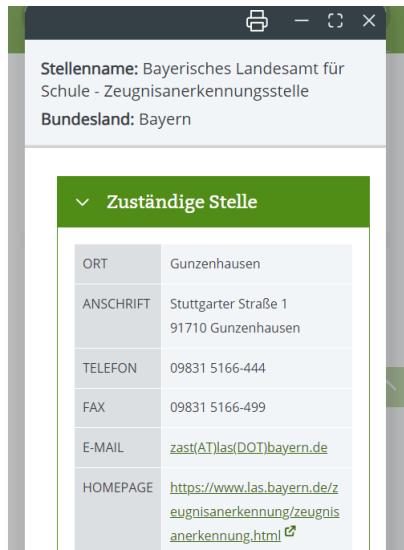
- 3) From the "Bundesländer" (Federal states) menu, select the federal state in which the vocational school you are applying to is located.



- 4) The page shows you the competent institution that can recognise your school-leaving certificate.

Note: If you need to have a qualification or certificate recognised in the federal state of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, please visit the relevant website of the [institution](#).

- 5) Select the authority displayed. Another window will open.



6) Under "Zuständige Stelle" (Competent authority), you will usually find a telephone number and an e-mail address to contact the authority.

7) For additional information, visit the website of the relevant authority.