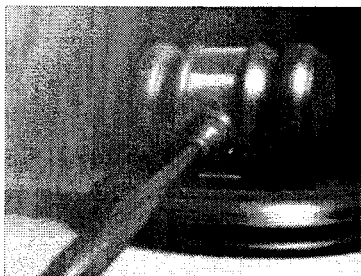


## Former Morningside student sentenced for voter fraud

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SIOUX CITY, Iowa (KTIV) -- A former Morningside College student could be deported for claiming to be a United States citizen so he could vote.

Christopher Mettin, of Germany, pled guilty to one of the two counts he was originally charged with and was sentenced to time already served, which was 52 days.

He had also been charged with falsely representing himself as a U.S. citizen, but that charge was dropped.

Mettin is in the custody of immigration agents.

A formal complaint said Mettin entered the country legally with a student visa to study at Morningside.

But, in October, prosecutors say the college terminated Mettin's visa for "failing to maintain status."

The real trouble started in September.

Mettin allegedly checked a box stating he was an U-S citizen on a voter registration form.

He's still a German citizen.

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