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Objective

The aim of this grant programme is to support masters' studies doctoral projects in Germany.

Who can apply?

Excellent-qualified young academics and scientists who have completed a Master's degree, or in exceptional cases a Bachelor's degree at the latest by the time they begin their grant-supported research.

What can be funded?

Masters or Doctoral programmes at a state or state-recognised institution of higher education or a non-university research institute in Germany:

individual projects under the supervision of a university teacher or academic adviser
or
participation in a structured doctoral study programme

Duration of the funding

A maximum of four years for doctoral program or 2 years for masters; the length of the grant is decided by a selection committee and depends on the project in question and the applicant's work schedule.

Grants are initially awarded for a maximum of one year. Extensions depend on whether the selection committee considers the previous award period to have been successfully completed.

For doctoral projects in Germany that require several years of research, research phases outside Germany can be supported if these are critical for the successful completion of the doctoral degree. Planned stays must be specified in the application in the work and time schedule and should not exceed a quarter of the anticipated total funding period.

Value

- Depending on academic level, monthly payments of:
euros 861.- for graduates,
euros 1,200.- for doctoral candidates
- Payments towards health, accident and personal liability insurance cover
- Travel allowance
- One-off research allowance

Under certain circumstances, grant holders completing an uninterrupted stay of over 6 months may receive the following additional benefits:

- monthly rent subsidy
- monthly allowance for accompanying family members

To enable grant holders to improve their language skills in preparation for their stay in Germany, DAAD offers the following services:

- Payment of course fees for the online language course “Deutsch-Uni Online (DUO)” (www.deutsch-uni.com) for six months after receipt of the Scholarship Award Letter
- If necessary: Language course (2, 4 or 6 months) before the start of the research stay; the DAAD decides whether to fund the grant holder’s participation and for how long depending on language skills and project. If a language course scholarship is granted and the working language at the host institute is German, participation is compulsory.
- Allowance for a personally chosen German language course during the grant period
- Reimbursement of the fees for the TestDaF test which has either been taken in the home country after receipt of the Scholarship Award Letter or in Germany before the end of the funding period
- As an alternative to the TestDaF for scholarship holders who have taken a language course beforehand: the fee for a DSH examination taken during the scholarship period may be reimbursed.

Selection

An independent selection committee consisting of specialist scientists reviews applications.

Selection criteria:

Academic Qualification (documented by: university degree certificates, references, list of publications)

- Academic achievements and duration of studies
- If applicable, academic achievements after graduation (e.g. publications, conference contributions)

Quality of the research project (documented by: presentation of research project, time plan, references, proof of contacts, if applicable, language certificates):

- Quality of research project presentation and preliminary work
- Originality, topicality and relevance of project
- Reasons for choosing Germany and host institution
- Feasibility and consistency of work schedule and time plan (analysis and evaluation steps, if applicable, language skills)
- Integration of the project into the overall doctoral project (in terms of content/time), if relevant
- Importance of the research project and stay in Germany for academic and professional plans

Additional criteria (documented by: curriculum vitae, if applicable, certificates):

- Additional knowledge and skills (e.g. through professional or voluntary activities, further training)
- Involvement in academic self-governance, higher education policy issues
- Political, social, cultural, family (parental leave or care periods, etc.), social commitment

Key Questions answered:

1. Is there an age limit for DAAD scholarships?

No, there is usually no fixed age limit. There are individual exceptions in programmes in which this is explicitly requested by universities.

Some scholarship programmes stipulate that only a certain amount of time should have elapsed since the last degree was taken (see also question 2). For details, please refer to the respective Call for Applications at www.funding-guide.de under the heading "Application requirements".

2. If you have not completed your university degree at the time of application. Are you still eligible to apply for a scholarship?

Yes, in programmes which require a first university degree, you can apply in your last year of study. You must then meet all the academic requirements set out in the Call for Applications by the time your funding period begins. Also, your degree certificate has to be submitted before the start of the funding period.

3. Can you apply for a scholarship whatever subject you are studying?

DAAD offers scholarship programmes that are generally open to all subjects, although certain restrictions apply to some subjects (e.g. medicine). There are also subject-specific programmes. In the Scholarship database, you can select the scholarships that are offered for your subject group.

4. If you are considering taking a distance / online / part-time course in Germany. Are you eligible to apply for a DAAD scholarship?

No, DAAD scholarships are awarded to applicants wishing to complete a full-time course of study with compulsory attendance in Germany. This is why applicants wishing to take a blended learning or distance/e-learning programme or part-time programme are not eligible for DAAD funding.

5. If you already have a scholarship from the European Union, the DAAD or another organization in Germany. Can you still receive a DAAD scholarship?

If you are already funded by the DAAD, another German funding organization or another state agency in Germany, you cannot receive a scholarship from the DAAD. An Erasmus scholarship is not compatible with a full DAAD scholarship. Scholarship holders in the "University Summer Courses in Germany" and "University Winter Courses in Germany" programmes as well as those who receive a partial scholarship can also take advantage of ERASMUS funding.



GETTING STARTED...

Step 1



Get your Passport

Step 2



Take the IELTS Test

Step 3



Take the GRE Test

Step 4



Get your Bachelor's Transcript

Step 8



Prepare a list of Universities to apply

Step 7



Collect your Letters of Recommendation (LOR)

Step 6



Prepare your Statement of Purpose (SOP)

Step 5



Prepare your Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Step 9



Send Applications to universities

Step 10



Apply for Education Loan

Step 11



Transfer money to Fintiba Blocked Account

Step 12



Take the Travel Insurance

Step 16



Pack your bags and say goodbyes!

Step 15



Apply for Accommodation

Step 14



Book your Flight

Step 13



Apply for the German Student VISA

