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# There is an increasing need for interculturally competent teachers

# **Status quo**



- heterogeneity in classrooms rises
- increasingly globalized society and work environment
- social development towards increasing xenophobia and Euroscepticism





- intercultural competences are indispensable in teachers
- teachers need to function "ambassadors for an international mindset"



# Yet, international experiences in German teacher training face various barriers

# **Barriers**







### ... in Germany

- responsibilities for student teachers within HEI are unclear
- low integration of international experiences in TT curricula
- financing

especially first generation academics

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst German Academic Exchange Service

### ... abroad

- internships abroad are not always recognized as academic performance
- little support for students abroad

especially for future teachers of nonlinguistic subjects

# ... on the job

- international experiences not professionally considered a "plus"
  - neither at job entry level
  - nor within professional career

# "Lehramt.International" aims to reduce these barriers...

### Goals



to qualify future teachers for managing cultural diversity at school



to improve higher education and political frameworks



to strengthen the international visibility and recognition of German teacher training programmes



# **Reducing barriers - holistically**

### **Lehramt.International**

"Internationalisation of teacher education"



#### **Module A**

#### **Model projects**

at German higher education institutions

Financial support for partnerships

with international HEI aimed at structural internationalisation of teacher education



#### **Module B**

**Internships** 

for future teachers

Scholarships for student teachers ( 1-6 months) & pre-service graduates (3 12 months)



#### **Module C**

Information, guidance, policy dialogue

Student-oriented **campaign**, information and promotional events, advisory services

Policy dialogue, programme evaluation

#### Financial support for

- human resources at German HEIs
- material resources (e.g. for events)
- scholarships for students at German HEIs
- subsidies for students from DAC-countries

### **Scholarships**

- for all teaching subjects
- for all school types
- for all countries

3 calls for applications per year

#### Marketing

- Campaign
- Online portal to inform students on studying abroad
- Information materials for future teachers
- Network of "ambassadors" for stays abroad

### Consultancy

- Dialogue events, workshops and conferences
- Research and studies
- **Publications**





### Module A

### **Model projects**

at German higher education institutions

**Partnerships** with international higher education institutions aimed at structural internationalisation of teacher education

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#### **Module B**

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#### Module C

Information, guidance, policy dialogue

Marketing for the scholarship programs

Programme evaluation, policy dialogue at the federal and state level

Programme coordination

Division "Information on Studying Abroad"



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# **Project framework**



### **Duration:**

16 November 2018 – 31 December 2024



# **Funding:**

38.9 million Euros

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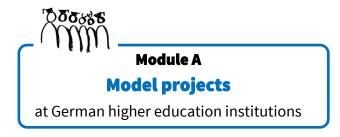
# **Funding institution:**



German Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)



### **Module A**



# **Projects**

- curricular integration of professional and intercultural mentoring for outgoing students
- recognition of stays abroad as academic performance
- specific advisory services for teacher students who want to go abroad
- networking between relevant actors

### **DAAD**

- human resources at German HEIs
- material resources (e.g. for events)
- scholarships for students at German HEIs
- subsidies for students from DAC-countries

# potential project frames

- funding period: up to 6 years
- funding amount: up to **150.000 € per year**
- Next call for application: Currently, no further calls are planned.



# **Module B**



**Module B** 

**Internships** 

for future teachers

# **Full scholarships** for internships in educational institutions abroad

- international partner schools of German HEIs
- member schools of the PASCH initiative

For all teaching subjects.

For all school types.

Future teachers of **primary schools** are particularly encouraged

### **Students**

funding period: **1-6 months** 

**Graduates (before induction training)** 

funding period: **3-12 months** 



**3 calls** for applications **per year**.



# **Module B - FAQs**



Is it possible two apply a second time, if I already got a scholarship within the programme "Lehramt International"?

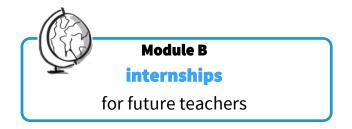
It is only possible to get one scholarship per funding line (funding line 1 as a student and funding line 2 as a graduate.

• Are there any requirements concerning the school internship?

Internships that are mandatory according to the TT curriculum, should be designed in a way that makes it theoretically possible for the home HEI to recognize it as an academic performance. This also applies to voluntary internships: While the exact contents, activities and scope do not have to coincide entirely with the curriculum, the curriculum should be used as a guideline. For instance: teaching, work shadowing, assistance in the preparation of curricula etc.



# **Module B - FAQs**



### Which institutions can be considered for an internship?

Educational establishments.

Educational establishments include primary, secondary, and vocational education institutions. <u>Please consider that internships at private language schools will not be funded.</u> Internships at HEIs are not possible either.

• Are specific language skills required?

No. Language skills specific to the host country are desirable, but not required for the application.

Is it possible to complete a part time internship?

No. The internship has to be completed as a full-time employment (in accordance with the legal framework of the host country).

More FAQs available **online** (in German).



# **Module C**



### **Modul C**

Information, guidance, policy dialogue

# **Identify**

- needs and challenges
- approaches and models

# **Analyze**

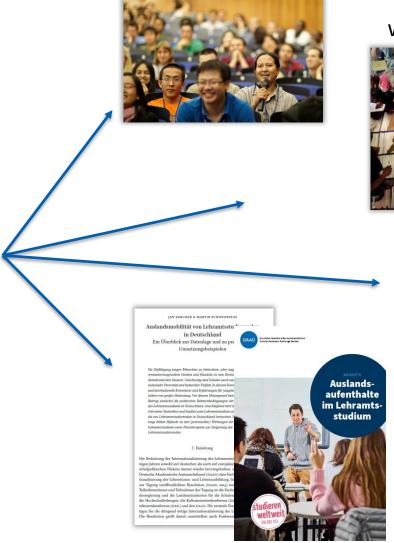
 benefits of internationalization in teaching and teacher education

# **Inform and guide**

students, HEIs and policy makers



# dialogue events and conferences



workshops



campaigns



# **Selected publications**

Full list of publications on: <a href="https://www.daad.de/teachers">www.daad.de/teachers</a>

### in English

- Analysis of "Priorities, developmental fields and measures for internationalising teacher education. Key findings from a survey among higher education institutions in Europe" (2021)
- Documentation of the Stakeholder Conference <u>"Teachers of Tomorrow: Intercultural, Mobile, Diverse"</u> (November 2022)

### in German

- Article International classroom experiences in DAAD Journal (24.08.2023)
- Commentary in the newsletter of the Quality Offensive Teacher Education on the thematic focus <u>"Teacher Education Intercultural and International: Between Goals, Wishful Thinking and Reality"</u> (01.03.2023)
- Contribution to the anthology <u>"Practical phases abroad during the teacher training programme. A look at federal states and concepts"</u> (2022, p. 17-51)
- Article <u>"Just do it"</u> in DAAD-Aktuell (November 2022)
- Article <u>"Internationalisation of teacher training: New publications"</u> in DAAD-Aktuell (January 2022)
- <u>Factsheet</u> on programme impact (2022)

# **Practical information in German**

**Programme website:** www.daad.de/teachers

### Module A – Model projects:

• <u>Interactive map</u> with portraits of the funded model projects

### **Module B – Internships:**

• Calls for application for <u>funding line 1</u> (students) und <u>funding line 2</u> (graduates)

### **Module C – Information and guidance:**

- <u>Info boxes</u> for social media channels, flyers (<u>1</u> und <u>2</u>), posters, 3 <u>roll-ups</u> und 1 <u>personalised roll-up</u> (German)
- <u>Booking portal</u> for "Lehramt.International" ambassadors
- <u>Practical guide</u> and <u>website</u> for stays abroad during teacher training (German)
- Order information material <u>online</u> (German)
- <u>Correspondents Lehramt.International</u> (German)