

Regulations for international DAAD scholarship holders wishing to continue their studies online from their home country

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Important: Please note that continuing your studies or research project online will entail a change in financial benefits and insurance. Please read details about this on our website:

<https://www.daad.de/en/financial-benefits/>

Conditions for continuing your scholarship project online

Online studies may only be funded if the scholarship period has already started in Germany.

Scholarship holders who have not yet started their study project are not eligible for this option. You are asked to contact DAAD in order to clarify whether you can postpone your scholarship.

Before applying to DAAD for permission to continue your studies on an online basis, you must ensure that

- ✓ your institution in Germany offers online courses or that your research collaboration can be continued remotely.
- ✓ the courses help you achieve the purpose of your studies or research project and for the most part compensate for your on-site presence.

Research scholars who have previously worked in a laboratory, library or archive during their stay in Germany cannot normally take advantage of the opportunity to continue their work remotely, since such visits require on-site presence.

Application to continue scholarship project online

Please submit the following documents informally via the messaging system on the DAAD portal under the menu item "Submit document for funding":

- a) A personal **statement** (in German or English) explaining how online courses/opportunities enable you to achieve your study or research goal. In a brief time plan, outline the further course of action that has been agreed with your course director or supervisor for the coming weeks and months. The statement (including time plan) should be two to three pages long.
- b) **Certificate from host institution** (in German or English) confirming that the study or research objective can be pursued online, with a reference to your statement. An assessment should also be made as to the extent to which you can achieve the goal of your studies or research goal remotely. This certificate may also be submitted informally by e-mail, but should include an official e-mail address and telephone number for possible queries.

You can also upload screenshots of online course offerings (if available) or correspondence with university lecturers and attach these to your application.