Study and Research Stays in Germany

DAAD Scholarship Programmes

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Welcome to the DAAD!

You’d like to study, carry out research or learn German in Germany and are looking for funding? Then look no further!

Every year, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) supports well over 100,000 German and international students and researchers around the globe – making it the world’s largest funding organisation of its kind.

› You would like to have access to the best study and research opportunities in Germany?
› Your goal is to develop or extend your international network of academic contacts?
› Assuming global responsibility is a matter of importance to you?
› You would eventually like to contribute towards the development of your home country with your expertise and networks?

If so, we invite you to apply to DAAD with your planned project.

Our scholarships for international advanced students, doctoral candidates and postdocs are awarded for study and research visits to universities and non-university research institutes in Germany.

This overview provides you with information about DAAD’s most important scholarship programmes which are offered in numerous countries throughout the world. You can find out which of these programmes is available for a certain country in our scholarship database www.funding-guide.de. The current calls for applications, application deadlines and persons to contact at DAAD are included here.

We look forward to receiving your application!

Your DAAD team
Our programmes are aimed at

- Bachelor’s Degree Students (BA)
- Master’s Degree Students / Graduates (MA)
- Doctoral Candidates & Young Scientists
- University Teachers & Senior Scientists

Study Scholarships - Master Studies for All Academic Disciplines
Master Studies in Germany

Who can apply?
Applicants with a first university degree (e.g. Bachelor)

What can be funded?

a) A postgraduate or Master’s degree programme completed at a university in Germany or
b) One academic year in Germany as part of a postgraduate or Master’s degree programme with completing the degree abroad (first or second year of study, graduation abroad)

Duration of the funding

a) Between 10 and 24 months, depending on the length of the chosen study programme
b) Usually one academic year

Scholarship benefits

› 934 euros monthly
› Payments towards insurance cover
› Annual study allowance
› Travel allowance

Additionally, under certain circumstances:

› Monthly rent subsidy
› Monthly allowance for accompanying members of family
› If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness
› Preparatory language course
# Study Scholarships – Postgraduate Studies for Artistic Disciplines and Architecture

Master Studies in Germany in the fields of Fine Art, Design, Visual Communication, Film, Music, Performing Arts and Architecture

## Who can apply?
Applicants with a first university degree in the above fields

## What can be funded?

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### University Summer Courses in Germany for Foreign Students and Graduates

**Learning German in Germany**

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**Who can apply?**
Students in Bachelor’s and Master’s degree programmes who have completed at least two academic years at the start of the scholarship, as well as doctoral candidates of all disciplines.

**What can be funded?**
Language and area studies courses at German universities and language institutes

**Duration of the funding**
Up to 6 weeks, start in January

**Scholarship benefits**
- One-off scholarship payment of 2,151 euros (minus course fees and, if applicable, accommodation costs)
- Payments towards insurance cover
- Travel allowance
Research Grants – One-Year Grants for Doctoral Candidates
Researching in Germany as part of a doctoral study programme in the home country

Who can apply?
Doctoral candidates and young academics and scientists (except postdocs)

What can be funded?
A research project or course of continuing education at a university or research institute in Germany, in coordination with an academic supervisor in Germany

Duration of the funding
7 to 12 months

Scholarship benefits
› 1,300 euros monthly for doctoral candidates
› Payments towards insurance cover
› One-off research allowance
› Travel allowance

Additionally, under certain circumstances:
› Monthly rent subsidy
› Monthly allowance for accompanying members of family
› If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness
› Preparatory language course
Research Grants – Short-Term Grants
Short research projects in Germany

Who can apply?
Young academics and scientists: doctoral candidates, graduates (MA) and postdocs

What can be funded?
A research project or course of continuing education at a university or research institute in Germany, in coordination with an academic supervisor in Germany

Duration of the funding
1 to 6 months

Scholarship benefits
› 934 euros monthly for graduates
› 1,300 euros monthly for doctoral candidates and postdocs
› Payments towards insurance cover
› Travel allowance
› If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness
Research Grants – Doctoral Programmes in Germany
Completing a doctorate at a German university

Who can apply?
Excellently-qualified young academics and scientists

What can be funded?
› Individual doctoral projects in Germany supervised by a university teacher or
› Participation in a structured doctoral study programme (Ph.D.)

Duration of the funding
Maximum of 4 years

Value
› 1,300 euros monthly for doctoral candidates
› Payments towards insurance cover
› Travel allowance
› Annual research allowance
   
   Additionally, under certain circumstances:
   › Monthly rent subsidy
   › Monthly allowance for accompanying members of family
   › If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness
   › Preparatory language course
Research Grants – Bi-nationally Supervised Doctoral Degrees / Cotutelle
Completing a bi-national doctorate

Who can apply?
Depending on the nature of the project:

a) Bi-national supervision / “Sandwich PhD”: Applicants who have completed a Master’s degree or Diplom at the latest at the beginning of their scholarship

b) “Cotutelle” procedure: Applicants who have been admitted to a doctoral programme at the latest at the beginning of the scholarship

What can be funded?
Research stays at a university or research institute in Germany for the preparation of a doctoral thesis which is supervised and carried out bi-nationally.

Two options:

a) Stays as part of a doctorate in the home country (“sandwich model”) with academic supervision at the home university and in Germany; the doctoral degree is awarded by the home university.

b) Stays as part of a doctorate according to the “Cotutelle” procedure: After successful completion of the doctorate, the German university and the partner university generally award the doctoral degree jointly.

Duration of the funding
Maximum of altogether 24 months
The grant may be used flexibly for several shorter stays within 3 consecutive years.

Option a)
› 12 months
› Extensions depend on whether the previous scholarship period is considered successful by a selection committee.

Option b)
› 18 months
› The scholarship may be extended by up to six months.
**Scholarship benefits**

› 1,300 euros monthly for doctoral candidates
› Payments towards insurance cover
› Research allowance
› If applicable, travel allowance

**Additionally, under certain circumstances:**

› Monthly rent subsidy
› Monthly allowance for accompanying members of family
› If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness
› Preparatory language course
› Allowances for travel and accommodation expenses for supervising university teachers

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**Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists**

Short research stays in Germany

**Who can apply?**

University teachers and scientists who have usually completed a doctoral degree and work at a university or research institute in their home country

**What can be funded?**

Research stays at universities or non-university research institutes in Germany

**Duration of the funding**

1 to 3 months

**Scholarship benefits**

› 2,000 euros monthly for assistant teachers, assistant professors and lecturers
› 2,150 euros monthly for professors
› Travel allowance
› If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness
Study Visits for Academics – Artists and Architects

Short study visits in Germany for university teachers from the disciplines Fine Art, Design, Visual Communication and Film, Music, Performing Arts and Architecture

Who can apply?
University teachers from the fields mentioned above

What can be funded?
Study visits in Germany for artistic cooperations with a host institution

Duration of the funding
1 to 3 months

Scholarship benefits
› 2,000 euros monthly for assistant teachers, assistant professors and lecturers
› 2,150 euros monthly for professors
› Travel allowance
› If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness
Bilateral Exchange of Academics
Short research stays in Germany on the basis of bilateral cultural agreements

Who can apply?
University teachers and scientists who have usually completed a doctoral degree and work at a university or research institute in their home country

What can be funded?
Research stays at universities or non-university research institutes in Germany

Duration of the funding
At least 14 days (for certain countries from 7 days) to 3 months

Scholarship benefits
› 2,000 euros monthly for assistant teachers, assistant professors and lecturers
› 2,150 euros monthly for professors
› Unless otherwise regulated by bilateral agreements, the costs of the outward and return journey are borne by the respective sending country.
› If applicable, allowance for additional needs in case of disability/chronic illness

You can find more information on scholarship programmes online!
How long does the application procedure take?

Example: You are applying from the United States for the programme Study Scholarships – Master Studies for All Academic Disciplines.

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<td>December</td>
<td>DAAD will confirm that it has received your application and inform you whether your application is complete and under further review.</td>
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<td>February</td>
<td>The selection meeting takes place at the DAAD Regional Office in New York. A selection committee decides on funding based on the application documents.</td>
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<td>August</td>
<td>You will travel to Germany and take part in a German language course.</td>
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Example: You are applying from Pakistan for the programme Research Grants – Doctoral Programmes in Germany.

June  You can apply online now.

31 August  Application deadline – Your application will now be reviewed by DAAD.

October  DAAD will confirm that it has received your application and inform you whether your application is complete and under further review.

November  You will be invited to a personal interview at the DAAD Information Centre in Islamabad. A selection committee consisting of German and Pakistani researchers will decide on funding.

Mid-February  You will receive a Letter of Award.

June  You will travel to Germany and take part in a German language course.

End of August  DAAD will invite you to take part in an orientation seminar for newly arrived scholarship holders in Bonn.

October  You will receive your first scholarship payment. Your doctoral studies in Germany begin.
My DAAD scholarship: How to apply in five steps

1. Get an overview at www.funding-guide.de: Which programmes are suitable for me? When do I have to apply?

2. Get advice: From your local DAAD office (www.daad.de/adressen) or online through the DAAD Info-Center (www.daad.de/contactform)

3. Find out about the programmes on offer: Information about language courses and study programmes at German universities or research institutes can be found at www.daad.de/deutschland. Information about study programmes is also available at www.study-in-germany.de and www.myguide.de; to find out about doctoral programmes and research opportunities, go to www.research-in-germany.org.

4. Put together your application documents at www.funding-guide.de: If you have questions about documents or the application procedure, take a look at our FAQs: www.daad.de/faq-en

5. Submit online application directly to www.funding-guide.de. You can check the progress of your application at any time and also receive notifications via the DAAD portal.

We wish you every success with your project! We hope we will be able to welcome you to the DAAD family of scholars very soon!