Heinrich Böll Foundation: Study Scholarship

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Programme Description

The Heinrich Böll Foundation is a federally organised, independently operating foundation. It sees its main tasks in political education, in promoting democratic decision-making, in commitment to social issues and in international understanding. Each year the foundation awards between 80 and 100 scholarships to students and doctoral candidates. The foundation attaches great importance to sponsoring foreign students. The sponsorships concerned are full sponsorships. Besides the formal requirements, the foundation particularly wants applicants to correspond to the principles of the foundation and to be willing to assume political and social responsibility. In return, students are well provided for. In parallel to a two to three-year material sponsorship a supporting programme and regional fora are organised. The foundation arranges work placements on request. Scholarship holders also have the right to participate in the foundation boards. In return, they are expected to submit regular intermediate reports during the sponsorship period. The study scholarships are open students of all disciplines.

Target Group

Committed students who work according to the principles of the foundation and actively engage with the aims of the Heinrich Böll Foundation, combining above-average scientific achievements with a preparedness to assume social and political responsibility.

Academic Requirements

The Student Association (Studienwerk) awards grants to German and foreign students according to the guidelines of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research as well as those of the Foreign Office. Applicants for a study grant have to be registered at a state or state approved higher education institution or university of applied sciences in Germany at the time of commencement of the award.

Number of Scholarships

80 - 100

Duration Two to three years

Scholarship Value

A) The following is applicable for German applicants, EU members and non-German nationals with a German university entrance qualification: Cost of living scholarships for Germans, EU members and non-German nationals with a German university entrance qualification are calculated (analogous to the German state student grant scheme, BAföG) on the basis of the income of the parents and the student's own income and assets. Irrespective of this, all scholarship holders receive an allowance for books of 80.00 EUR per month. B) The following is applicable for foreign applicants (excluding EU members) desiring to commence academic studies in Germany: Cost of living scholarships for international scholarship holders are fixed and not dependent on the parental income.

Application Requirements

A) The following is applicable for German applicants, EU members and non-German nationals with a German university entrance qualification: Scholarship holders have to be registered at a state or state approved university, institution of higher education, or university of applied sciences in Germany at the time of commencement of the award. A Master's degree course outside the EU can also be supported. - Earliest time of application: Applicants wishing to register for a Bachelor's Master's, Diplom or Magister degree, or a state examination, may apply before commencing their studies; financial support can however begin no earlier than the start of the first semester. Application should be made close to the time of commencement of the course of study. - Latest time of application: Applicants should have at least four semesters to go before finishing the course within the regular duration of studies, to be able to receive support for at least 3 semesters. B) The following is applicable for foreign applicants (excluding EU members) desiring to commence academic studies in Germany: Scholarship holders have to be registered at a state or state approved university, institution of higher education, or university of applied sciences in Germany at the time of commencement of the award. - Applicants are required to provide evidence of a first degree qualifying them to enter a profession. Graduates doing a Master's degree course are primarily sponsored. - Please note that applications by non-EU members are only possible at irregular intervals. Current information and application dates are published at www.boell.de/studienwerk. - A very good command of German is a precondition; proof (see below) is required. Please note that the selection procedure (interviews, group discussions) is

below) is required. Please note that the selection procedure (interviews, group discussions) is generally conducted in German; exceptions (interview in English) are possible. - Periods of time spent abroad in third countries by foreign scholarship holders exceeding 4 weeks, cannot be supported in compliance with the current sponsorship guidelines. The following is applicable both for German and foreign applicants wishing to commence a Master degree or postgraduate course of study: - Applicants should be sure to apply to the Heinrich Böll Foundation (Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung) for a sponsorship before commencing their studies, in order to facilitate a long-term sponsorship and cooperation. - Students completing a 1-year Master's degree course who have not held a Heinrich Böll Foundation scholarship before, are not supported. - Study fees for courses subject to fees within Germany cannot be paid for.

Application Papers

More detailed formal requirements are published <u>here</u>.

Application Deadline

- Application deadline for short applications: 1st March / 1st September
- Application deadline for an extensive application: 1st May / 1st November

- Notification of granted scholarships: July / January or February
- Sponsorship expected to begin: 1st October / 1st April

<u>Practical Traineeships for Foreign Students of Natural and Technical</u> <u>Sciences, Agriculture and Forestry</u>

Objective

Practical training placements for students of the above mentioned subjects are arranged by the International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience (IAESTE). Placements are, however, only available to countries with a National IAESTE Committee. Within the DAAD, unit 514 is the German National IAESTE Committee.

Duration

Usually, traineeships are two to three months in duration with various firms, institutions of higher education and research institutes. In individual cases, traineeships of extended duration can be arranged.

Value

Trainees are usually paid 650,-- euros per month; the DAAD, however, is not able to grant additional funds to cover travel costs.

Requirements

- Specific information on conditions of eligibility is available from the National IAESTE Committee of the member country concerned.
- Language Proficiency: Requirements regarding language proficiency of German differ greatly. Some companies require that international interns or trainees have good German language skills, while others only require a basic knowledge of German, as long as the intern or trainee also has good English language skills. In many cases a good knowledge of English is sufficient.
- Training placements recruited in Germany are offered exclusively by the responsible National IAESTE Committee abroad, which in turn arranges placements for German university students. Apart from those offered via this route, the IAESTE programme has no other internship places available for individual applicants.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice

- Precise information on when to submit applications is available from the National IAESTE Committee of the applicant's home country.
- Students of the stated subjects interested in a training placement in Germany should address the National IAESTE Committee in their home country. Addresses of the National IAESTE Committees and further information are available via Internet www.iaeste.org.

Please note for all scholarship programmes: Scholarship announcements contain general information on the programme in question. Application conditions specifically for candidates from your country (Australia) as well as information on the application process can be found, where applicable, at <u>"Country Specific Information"</u>.

<u>Study Visits / Study Seminars and Practicals in Germany by Groups of</u> <u>Foreign Students</u>

Objective

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) funds **Study Visits / Study Seminars and Practicals** in Germany by groups of foreign students headed by a university teacher.

Objectives of the Funding:

The programme aims to

- provide students with subject-related knowledge by arranging appropriate visits, tours and information meetings (**Study Visits**) or by organising subject-related seminars and practical courses (e.g. specialist courses, block seminars, workshops) at the invitation of a German university. This university is also responsible for organising practical courses with universities, companies and, possibly, public institutions (**Study Seminars and Practicals**)
- facilitate meetings with German students, academics and researchers to establish and maintain contacts between German and foreign universities
- give students a greater understanding of and insight (regional and area studies) into economic, political and cultural life in Germany. The part must not make up more than one third of the funding term.

In the case of Study Seminars and Practicals, the programme strives for reciprocity, although this is not a condition for the award of funding. This means that funding can initially be provided for visits in one direction only.

Cultural events (e.g. concert tours) can be funded when the focus is on meeting students and university teachers from a relevant academic field and this academic relevance is appropriately documented.

Funding cannot be provided for annual repeat visits (by applicants, faculties or departments); each applicant, faculty or department can only be considered for a maximum of one application per year. Funding cannot be provided for required/obligatory excursions or for measures that have already been completed.

Duration

Study visits, study seminars or practicals should last no less than **7 days**. Funding is available for a maximum of **12 days** (including travel days), although the visits themselves may last longer.

Value

The DAAD takes out health, accident and public/private liability insurance for each funded group. Further details can be found in the Award Letter.

The DAAD regrets that it is unable to pay any international travel costs.

1. Study Visits

• Groups from EU countries, from Albania, Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Croatia, Hong Kong, Iceland, Japan, Liechtenstein, New Zealand, Norway, the Russian Federation, Serbia, South Korea, Switzerland, Taiwan, Turkey, Ukraine and the United States:

The trip is independently organised and carried out by the group or by the applicant (lead) university teacher. For groups from remote areas of the Russian Federation, Turkey or Ukraine, it may be possible, after agreement with the DAAD, to apply for organised study trips in individual cases.

The DAAD pays a flat-rate sum of 50.- euros per person and day.

• Groups from **other** countries:

The DAAD arranges the programme. Wishes and preferences stated in the application form will, as far as possible, be considered. However, the programme may be subject to cuts or changes as requested by the Selection Committee.

The DAAD provides a guide fluent in the group language. The guide is responsible for ensuring that the programme drawn up by DAAD Head Office runs smoothly and is followed.

As a rule, groups will be accommodated in hotels or youth guesthouses/hostels (twin or three-bed rooms).

The DAAD pays the subsistence costs (board and lodging) for the group participants (including group leader and, where appropriate, bus driver) during the funding term in Germany. The lump-sum payment for the midday and evening meal is 9,- euros each. The DAAD decides on the means of transport to be used. Often this means using (travel) coaches/buses in order to guarantee the smooth running of the programme. If groups do not travel with their own coach/bus to Germany, the DAAD can hire a bus/coach for travel in Germany. If the group travels with a bus/coach not hired by the DAAD, a place must be made available for the DAAD travel guide. The DAAD pays any fuel costs incurred in Germany. However, the use of public transport may prove more suitable for certain programme items. Terms and conditions will be advised on a case-by-case basis.

2. Study Seminars and Practicals

• Groups from all countries: The DAAD grant is provided as project funding. It is paid as a flat-rate sum of 50.- euros per participant and day, thereby subsidising the travel and subsistence costs.

Requirements

Funding can be provided for groups of students who are fully matriculated in their second

semester or higher in a relevant degree programme at a foreign university and who are travelling in a group headed by a university teacher. Subject to approval by the DAAD, individual doctoral students can also be funded. To ensure that the conditions are given for a successful study trip, all the participants should, as far as possible, have a common level of language skills in a language of relevance to the programme. Groups should be made up of **at least 10** and must not, as a rule, **exceed 15 persons**. In addition, funding can be provided for one university teacher as group leader.

Application papers

The DAAD is only able to process **punctually submitted**, **fully completed applications**. The DAAD regrets that it is unable to ask for any missing papers or documents to be submitted. A full funding application includes:

- 1. Application form including budget and list of participants (DAAD portal)
- 2. Statement of reasons and description of programme content outlining exactly what the group wishes to visit and view, both in terms of subject-specific (academic) content and German regional/area studies content (vague or generally-worded descriptions such as visits to museums, universities are not acceptable on their own)
- 3. Schedule (in tabular form)
- 4. Description of the contentual preparation for the trip (e.g. preparatory seminars)
- 5. Proof of contacts on the German side (in the case of Study Visits), especially in higher education (e.g. by submitting copies of correspondence invitations, confirmations). Proof of contacts on the foreign side (in the case of Study Seminars/Practicals), commenting on the significance of the proposed Study Seminar/Practical and how it is integrated into the academic development (programme path) of the foreign participants (general agreements, cooperation agreements, and similar documents do not, on their own, provide sufficient proof and can only be submitted to further document the existing contacts).

Application Process:

Applications are submitted online via the DAAD Portal: <u>http://www.daad.de/hochschulen/kooperation/partnerschaft/gruppenreisen/05028.de.html</u>

• Study Visits

Applications may be placed by university teachers from a foreign university. Please include a letter of recommendation from the DAAD Regional Office, DAAD Information Centre, or the German Embassy. The application deadlines at the DAAD in Bonn are binding.

• Study Seminars and Practicals

Applications may be placed by university teachers from a German university. Please additionally advise the Akademisches Auslandsamt/International Office of your application.

The decision is made by a selection committee. Experience has shown that the limited financial resources mean that only a proportion of the applications that meet the programme's three funding goals can be approved. Preference is given to trips that are carried out in close cooperation with universities, academics, and students in Germany.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice

Applications must have been submitted via the DAAD Portal by the following deadlines at the latest:

- 1 February each year for trips starting from 1 June (The DAAD decides in mid-April)
- 1 May each year for trips starting from 1 September (The DAAD decides in mid-July).
- 1 November each year for trips starting from 1 March (The DAAD decides in mid-January)

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The DAAD website (<u>www.daad.de/stipendien</u>) will provide additional specific information for applicants from your home country, if such information is available.

<u>University Winter Courses offered in Germany for Foreign Students and</u> <u>Graduates</u>

Objective

- The DAAD offers students and graduates from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Namibia, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru, South Africa and Zimbabwe a grant for an approx. six-week "German Regional Studies Winter Course" in January/February each year.
- These grants are awarded to enable students to attend German language and area studies courses that are offered by state (public) or state-recognised German higher education institutions and by affiliated language schools.
- Course providers and course offers are available on the DAAD-website, see "Further downloads": <u>www.daad.de/deutschland/download/03118.en.html</u>.

Duration

• The courses last up to six weeks and are offered in the months of January and February.

Value

- The DAAD awards a part-cost grant of 975.- euros, a flat-rate course allowance of 750.- euros, plus a regionally graduated flat-rate travel allowance based on country of origin, see: www.daad.de/rkp-hsk_isk.
- When completing the application form, applicants must specify which courses they wish to take (cf. the above-specified course locations). As far as possible, the DAAD will take these preferences into consideration when finally placing the awardholders; however, since the available places are limited, the DAAD reserves the right to choose an alternative course location.
- Accommodation is booked via the course organiser.

Requirements

- Applications are open to students in Bachelor's and Master's programmes of all subject areas who will have completed at least two academic years of studies at the time of starting their funded stay, as well as to doctoral students.
- Graduates holding a Bachelor's degree are entitled to apply if a Master's programme will follow directly after the Bachelor's degree. Please include the letter of confirmation by the higher education institution as proof.
- Applicants must be nationals of one of the above-mentioned countries and must be registered at a university in the relevant country.
- Applicants must present proof of good German language skills and must be able to follow lectures or presentations and to collaborate in teams. At the time of starting their funded stay, they must have completed at least 2 years of German language courses equal to level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).
- The minimum age at the time of starting the funded stay is 18 years.
- An applicant may only be considered once for a DAAD University Winter Course Grant in any three consecutive years.
- Alternative requirements may apply for some few countries as specified in the "Country Information" section.
- Additional information on the application process is available on the DAAD homepage: www.daad.de/deutschland/download/03118.de.html (Further downloads FAQs for applicants and FAQs for scholarship holders)

Application papers

• Information on the application papers to be submitted is included on the application form ("Antrag auf ein Hochschulwinterkursstipendium"/Application for a winter

course scholarship - in German only), which can be obtained on the DAAD website at (<u>http://www.daad.de/de/form</u> or at <u>http://www.daad.de/en/form</u>) or from the <u>DAAD</u> regional offices, from <u>DAAD- or IC- Lektors</u>, from the <u>diplomatic and consular</u> representations of the Federal Republic of Germany, and from DAAD partner organisations.

- Consideration can only be given to applications if they are received on time and are complete, and if they provide details on all the examinations taken and document these appropriately.
- Please submit a single copy of the grant application.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice

- Applicants must not send their application direct to the DAAD in Bonn.
- Applications must be sent to DAAD in Bonn, Section 513, via a <u>DAAD Regional</u> <u>Office</u> or via a <u>DAAD-(IC-)Lektor</u>, or via a <u>Consulate-General or Embassy</u> of the Federal Republic of Germany, or via a DAAD partner organisation.
- Applications must be received by the above offices in such good time that they can reach the DAAD, Section 513, at the latest by the following date: **31 August**.
- Please go to <u>www.daad.de/stipendien</u> on the DAAD homepage to find further specific information for applicants from your home country. This information includes, inter alia, details on the offices to which applications have to be submitted.
- The above-mentioned website also contains the addresses of institutions that offer further information and advice in your country.
- The programme administrators at the DAAD in Bonn are

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Absolventa e.V.: Absolventa e.V. - The Web2.0-Scholarship

Programme Description

Students and graduates vote online to chose which student or graduate receives a scholarship. This is the underlying principle of the scholarship programme initiated by Absolventa and financed by numerous companies. Applicants can apply for a sum of up to 5,000 euros – be it for literature, a laptop, the semester contribution or support for a semester abroad – the reasons only have to relate to the studies in some way. The applicants with the most votes and best assessments receive a scholarship. The scholarship is open to all students and graduates enrolled at German, Austrian or Swiss universities; an applicant's nationality is irrelevant here. Applicants holding an academic degree must, however, have gained this qualification after 1 January 2005.

Target Group

Students and graduates who are able to convince other students and graduates that they need a scholarship.

Academic Requirements

Students, graduates whose studies were completed no longer than one year ago, and doctoral candidates.

Number of Scholarships

Decided by the community.

Duration

There is a one-off payment.

Scholarship Value

A maximum of 5,000 euros per person.

Application Requirements

Applications are open to those who meet the following requirements.

- Matriculated at a German, Austrian or Swiss university
- German, Austrian or Swiss citizenship, although studying at a university abroad
- Matriculated at a German, Austrian or Swiss university, but currently completing a semester abroad
- The studies were completed no more than one year ago or a doctorate (under consideration of the above-mentioned points)
- The studies begin in the next few months (under consideration of the above-mentioned points) and proof is provided that the funding relates to the studies in some way.

Further information is available on the following page: <u>www.stipendium.de/ev/bewerber</u>.

Application Papers

The first step for potential applicants is to register via the website

www.stipendium.de/ev/bewerber. Applicants are then invited to submit a curriculum vitae and a motivation letter. This is followed by an invitation to submit a curriculum vitae and to write a motivation letter. The motivation letter can be submitted in the form of images, songs, presentations or texts. The motivation letter should give reasons on why and how much funding you would like to receive.

Application Deadline

The registration begins in March 2010 and ends in summer 2010.

Bavarian State Ministry of Sciences, Research and the Arts: Scholarships <u>Awarded by the State Universities of Bavaria to Promote Further</u> <u>Internationalisation</u>

Programme Description

The Bavarian State Ministry is supporting advanced students and young university graduates with scholarships to drive the internationalisation of its higher education landscape forward. These scholarships are generally awarded for one year or one semester, whereby the length of funding can be extended by up to three years subject to appropriate performance. The amount of funding is decided in a case-by-case process based solely on the respective individual's need. This amounts to between 100.- and 615.- euros per month. One of the fundamental requirements is that the student is registered at a state university in Bavaria.

Target Group

The programme primarily targets advanced students and younger university graduates who are either already studying in a degree programme that leads to a first degree with professional qualification or who have registered for a postgraduate or Master's programme at a Bavarian university.

Number of Scholarships

The Federal State of Bavaria provides a total of around 1.2 million euros per year to fund stays abroad and scholarships for foreign students.

Duration

The programme awards one-year and one-semester scholarships, while extensions of up to one year are possible upon application and subject to successful academic progress during the funding term. Funding can be provided for up to a maximum of three years.

Scholarship Value

- Scholarship amount: between 100.- and 615.- euros per month,
- One-off study subsidies (at least 250.- euros) available in cases of particular hardship

Application Requirements

The decisive award elements are

- academic aptitude,
- personal qualification,
- registration/matriculation at a Bavarian State University, and
- need.

Application Papers

Applications are submitted via the relevant university offices (Akademisches Auslandsamt = International Office). A written application must be submitted in accordance with the relevant Call for Applications made by the respective university.

A list of Bavarian universities can be found here.

Application Deadline

Applications are submitted via the relevant university offices (Akademisches Auslandsamt = International Office). A written application must be submitted in accordance with the relevant Call for Applications announced by the respective university.

<u>Federal Ministry of Education and Research: German Law on Support for</u> <u>Education and Training (Bundesausbildungsförderungsgesetz - BAföG)</u>

Programme Description

Training assistance as per BAföG is primarily provided to German citizens whose income does not exceed a certain level. Foreigners are provided training assistance as per BAföG to the same extent as Germans if they are among the persons listed in § 1 section 2ff BAföG (www.bafoeg.bmbf.de/de/372.php). Thus foreign students also have the option to apply for assistance as per BAföG under certain circumstances. However, in order to qualify they must generally already have resided in Germany before beginning their academic studies and meet further conditions, such as:

- Being a recognised refugee or having been granted political asylum
- Coming from an EU member state and having been economically active in Germany before beginning their studies. The subject studied and the profession in which the applicant previously worked must be in some way related.

Students receive half their assistance as an interest-free government loan. This means that half the money received must be repaid after training is completed. Applications for assistance as per BAföG must be made at the agencies for educational assistance at the German higher education institute (usually with student services at the university location).

Target Group

Foreign trainees receive assistance if, for example, one parent or their spouse is a German citizen or the trainee is entitled to political asylum, an accepted refugee or a displaced person. Trainees from EU member states who are resident in Germany are also included in the BAföG's sponsorship remit to a great extent. Other foreigners are generally eligible for assistance if they or at least one of their parents were economically active in Germany for five or three years prior to the start of the training.

Duration

The duration of assistance for students at higher education institutions depends on the chosen discipline. The respective maximum assistance period for the chosen discipline is derived

from the respective standard period of study or - if none is specified - directly from the law (§ 15a BAföG). Students at academies and higher vocational schools are supported for the duration of the training period as determined by the respective training and examination regulations. From the fifth subject-related semester on, students at higher vocational schools, academies and higher education institutions will only be supported if they submit proof of academic achievement as per § 48 BAföG.

Training assistance is possible as from the time the studies begin.

Scholarship Value

Half the assistance for students at higher vocational schools, academies and higher education institutions is provided in the form of interest-free government loans. This means that half the money received must be repaid after training is completed. For those cases where applicants are not entitled to BAföG, alternative financing options such as educational loans or interest-bearing bank loans are available.

More information at: <u>http://www.bafoeg.bmbf.de</u>

Application Requirements

Students at higher vocational schools, academies or higher education institutions are required to present proof of aptitude at the beginning of the fifth subject-related semester. If the training and examination regulations require intermediate exams before the third semester, assistance is also dependent on submission of corresponding proof of aptitude for the third and fourth semesters. Students are only eligible for assistance if they begin the training for which they apply for assistance before they are 30 years of age.

Application Papers

Generally responsible for students are the student services at the higher education institution where the student is enrolled.

Application Deadline

Applications should be made when beginning academic studies at the latest. No retroactive payments will be made for applications made later on.

Federal Ministry of Education and Research

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<u>Federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia: Higher education entrance</u> <u>scholarship of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia</u>

Programme Description

The federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia wants to make it easier for foreign students to gain admission to its universities and to assist them on their way to successful completion of a degree course. The federal state considers the internationalisation of its institutions of higher education to be a decisive factor for maintaining the competitiveness of the research location. This is why support is also given to students who come from countries in which qualifications for direct access to German institutions of higher education cannot be gained. In order to be able to pass the assessment test to determine the eligibility of foreign applicants to studies at institutions of higher education in the Federal Republic of Germany, students may be granted reimbursement of the monthly preparatory course fees of 500.00 EUR for a maximum duration of 10 months. This support programme is offered by 5 institutions of higher education. For precise details on application requirements please enquire at the respective institution of higher education.

Target Group

The higher education entrance scholarship is intended for gifted individuals from countries in which it is not possible to obtain a school qualification for direct admission to German institutes of higher education and who therefore have to take an assessment test to determine eligibility.

Academic Requirements

Students wishing to study at a German university in North Rhine-Westphalia who have to take an assessment test for this purpose.

Duration

maximum 10 months

Scholarship Value

The scholarship covers fees of up to 500.00 EUR which are due for the courses in preparation of the assessment test.

Application Requirements

Applications for higher education entrance scholarships can be made at the following institutions of higher education: <u>Dortmund University of Applied</u> <u>Sciences</u>, <u>Cologne University of Applied Sciences</u>, University Consortium comprising <u>Aachen University of Applied Sciences</u>, <u>Bielefeld University of Applied Sciences</u> and <u>University of Duisburg-Essen</u>. Inquiries regarding more detailed requirements should be made at the respective institution of higher education.

Application Papers

Applications for higher education entrance scholarships can be made at the following institutions of higher education: <u>Dortmund University of Applied</u> <u>Sciences</u>, <u>Cologne University of Applied Sciences</u>, University Consortium

Contact

Federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia --Applications are to be send to the respective university.-- comprising <u>Aachen University of Applied Sciences</u>, <u>Bielefeld University of</u> <u>Applied Sciences</u> and <u>University of Duisburg-Essen</u>. Inquiries regarding more detailed requirements should be made at the respective institution of higher education.

Application Deadline

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Friedrich Ebert Foundation: Basic Sponsorship, Academic Studies up to a First Professionally Qualifying Degree, Graduate and Postgraduate Studies

Programme Description

Sponsorship of gifted students is already stipulated in the founding charter of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation. This principle has remained unchanged to the present day. Applicants are not required to be members of any political party;however, alongside above-average achievements in previous academic studies, commitment to political and social issues and personality are indispensable characteristics. Applicants from low-income families are given particular consideration. At a scholarship amount of 650 EUR a month, basic sponsorship, a scholarship for a first professionally qualifying degree or supporting a post-graduate / Master programme, is not a full sponsorship. It should however be possible to cover a large part of the arising costs with this sum. Scholarship holders are also permitted to earn an additional 400.00 EUR a month. Besides the financial aspect, scholarship holders are also offered a wide range of immaterial support. Some 640 students are accepted per year.

Target Group

Support is provided for

- All subject areas
- Students at state or state approved German institutions of higher education and universities of applied sciences (FH)
- Master/postgraduate courses

Not supported are

- Second degree courses
- Study visits outside Germany

• Final degree phases

Academic Requirements

- Applicants are required to be studying in Germany already.
- First graded evidence of academic achievement should be available at the time of application.
- Evidence of adequate German language skills has to be provided.

Number of Scholarships

640 students

Duration

Sponsorship is offered for the standard period of study for the main study stage. Extensions may be negotiable in exceptional cases.

Scholarship Value

615.00 EUR per month 276.00 EUR family bonus if applicable Payment of health fund contributions Casual earnings exceeding 400.00 euros a month will be deducted from the scholarship.

Application Requirements

- Enrolment in Germany (applicants must already be studying in Germany)
- Medical students may only apply after their preliminary examination/intermediate examination in Medicine.
- Above-average academic achievements
- Commitment to political and/or social issues
- Personality

Scholarship holders are also expected to regularly participate

- in the integrated seminar programme and the activities of the higher education groups,
- to achieve an above-average degree and to continue and intensify their sociopolitical commitment.

At the end of each semester a semester report must be submitted to the foundation documenting the current development of the applicant's studies and his or her sociopolitical commitment.

Application Papers

Submission in duplicate of the following is required:

- Letter with reason for application
- Application form (2 copies)
- 2 statements of opinion by university teachers or
- 2 statements of opinion by teachers for students in their first semester of academic study
- A tabular and detailed C.V. with sociopolitical commitment
- Copies of reports and graded evidence of academic achievement
- Certificate of registration indicating the number of semesters or proof of acceptance to Master or postgraduate courses
- Intermediate examination report or preliminary Diplom certificate (if available)

The application form is available here.

Application Deadline

There are no application deadlines; applications can be submitted at any time.

Friedrich Ebert Foundation Bureau of study advancement

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German Industry Foundation: Basic Sponsorship

Programme Description

The Klaus Murmann Study Sponsorship Agency has set itself the aim of seeking out and sponsoring young people who show excellent potential for development. They are to become the managers of tomorrow. A central concern is the promotion of entrepreneurial thinking and acting in social responsibility. The purpose of the basic scholarship is to sponsor students who are aiming for a first academic degree or would like to complete an advanced Master's degree course. The scholarship sum paid depends on the income of the scholarship holder's parents. In addition a book allowance is paid irrespective of income, and under certain circumstances a family allowance may also be provided.

Target Group

Applicants from EU countries or that have an entitlement in accordance with the BAfög(German state student grant scheme) are eligible for sponsorship in a) degree courses leading to a first professionally qualifying degree (Diplom, Bachelor, Magister, state examination) b) Master degree courses leading to an advanced qualification

Number of Scholarships

Up to 15 scholarships

Duration

Sponsorship is provided until the end of the standard period of study. If two degree courses are studied in parallel, sponsorship is provided until the first professionally qualifying degree is attained. The sponsorship period may be extended to a limited degree in justified cases.

Scholarship Value

The scholarship sum paid depends on the income of the scholarship holder's parents. In addition a book allowance is paid irrespective of income, and under certain circumstances a family allowance may also be provided.

- Maximum scholarship rate: 525 euros a month
- Book allowance (irrespective of income): 80 euros a month
- Family allowance: 155 euros a month

Scholarship holders participate in high-quality seminars and training courses designed in cooperation with companies, industry associations, foundations and educational institutes.

Application Requirements

Eligible for application are students who,

- Are citizens of EU member states or
- Are entitled to support according to Article 8 of the Federal Education and Training

Assistance Act (§ 8 BAfÖG) or

• Have completed their Abitur in Germany as migrants and who have prospects of permanent residence in Germany from a legal aspect.

Applicants should not be older than 30 years at the time of application.

Application Papers

- Registration at a state or officially recognised higher education institution (guideline of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research)
- Students can only receive support from the sdw (Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft -Foundation of German Business) if they actively work in one of the scholarship holder groups in Germany or in one of the 3 groups outside Germany (London, Paris, Switzerland) for at least 3 semesters, attend the group meetings regularly and take part in the sdw events programme in Germany.
- Submission of all achievement certificates you have obtained by the time of your application. We need additional information on at least two achievement certificates: a) three current performance records (percentage distribution of grades of a suitable comparative group) OR b) subject-related assessment of three achievement certificates provided by an academic lecturer. Please likewise submit three subject-related assessments (this applies for instance to students of medical subjects) if your study regulations prevent achievement certificates from being issued before the end of the fourth semester.
- School-age higher education students who already obtained evidence of academic achievement at the institution of higher education, may completely or partially replace the professional assessments by university teachers with professional assessments by teachers.
- In exceptional cases, students in the first semester who are not able to provide 3 professional assessments by university teachers, may completely or partially replace these by professional assessments by former teachers.
- If the study guidelines prescribe that no evidence of academic achievement is provided before the end of the fourth semester, 3 professional assessments by university teachers are also adequate (this applies to medical students for instance).
- At least 3 semesters spent in Germany during the sponsorship period, in order to ensure active participation in the sponsorship programme.
- In deviation from this, sponsorship of a complete course of study outside Germany is only possible at the sdw locations in London, Paris, Zurich as well as not far from the German border with connection to a German scholarship holder group.
- Master's degree courses without previous sponsorship of a B.A. degree course can only be supported if the regular duration of studies is 4 semesters.
- Second and postgraduate courses or Master's degree courses after a Diplom, Magister

or state examination course cannot be sponsored.

• Application for admission to the fellowship programme can only be made once. Students training to be teachers who were already rejected for sponsorship during the preparatory course, are not entitled to apply for admission to the fellowship programme.

[list|Command of German at intermediate level is required from applicants from EU countries.

Application Deadline

• At the time of admission, students are required have at least 4 semesters to go in accordance with the regular duration of studies. This may include a Master's degree course if this is commenced immediately after a Bachelor's degree course.

[list|Applicants who have not had a Bachelor's degree sponsored by the sdw, are required to apply for sponsorship of a Master's degree before commencing the course. The application should be scheduled to allow participation in the Assessment Centre (in May or November) at the beginning of the first semester. If at the time of application, no Bachelor's degree certificate or acceptance to the Master's degree course is available from the liaison lecturer, these documents can be submitted during the period of time up to attendance of the Assessment Centre, but no later. In the case of a number of subjects not commenced at the same time, the semester number of the subject commenced first is relevant.

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Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Liberty: Foreign Study Sponsorship

Programme Description

The Friedrich Nauman Foundation sees itself as the foundation for liberal politics in Germany. It is closely connected to the FPD party. The foundation has been sponsoring students at German universities since 1973, and also at universities of applied sciences since 1990. Besides excellent academic achievements it also expects commitment to political and social issues and positive personal qualities such as reliability, motivation and decisiveness of its students. The objective of sponsoring foreign students is that they return to their home countries after their examinations and put the knowledge they have gained to use in the interests of those countries. Approximately 50 foreign students are sponsored every year.

Target Group

The following is expected of applicants:

- Giftedness: Not only above-average subject-specific aptitude, but also other specialised interests are evaluated.
- Personal qualities: These include reliability, motivation, decisiveness and a willingness to assume responsibility and actively contribute with one's abilities to the further development of society.
- Liberal commitment to social and political issues: Activities in student administration, on higher education boards, in a liberal political party, in a political student organisation or in social institutions or associations are desirable.

Academic Requirements

Eligible to apply are foreign students after an academic intermediate exam (e.g. first Diplom, Bachelor), however not if they will shortly be completing their studies. Study visits abroad will not be sponsored.

Number of Scholarships

Approximately 50 foreign students are sponsored each year.

Duration

Sponsorships are initially awarded for one year. For concentrated studies, extensions may be granted until the academic studies are completed However, extensions are limited to three years.

Scholarship Value

- Scholarships are calculated according to the guidelines of the Federal Foreign Office.
- Support through liaison lecturers at the university location

• Furthermore, scholarship holders will be offered a wide range of ideal support opportunities which can be viewed on the Foundation's website.

Application Requirements

- Scientific aptitude,
- Personality
- Sociopolitical commitment arising from a fundamentally liberal attitude
- Participation in seminars held by the Friedrich Naumann Foundation or liberal state foundations during the scholarship period
- Regular contact to liaison lecturers
- Examination completed within an acceptable period and with well above-average grades
- Applicants are to return to their home country after completing their examinations in order to use their newly gained knowledge to the advantage their own country

Application Papers

Foreign applicants considered "Bildungsinländer" as per § 8 BAföG must prove this in writing when requesting the application forms. The following questions must be answered in writing:

- At which German higher education institution is the applicant enrolled in which subject?
- In which subject-related semester is the applicant currently studying?
- Has the applicant already passed a German intermediate examination (e.g. first Diplom, Bachelor) or does he or she have a foreign certificate recognised as equivalent, translated into German?

A DIN A4 envelope prepaid with 1.44 euros must be included with the letter. Application forms will then be sent out to the applicants.

Application Deadline

Closing dates for applications are 31st May and 30th November each year.

German Industry Foundation: Basic Sponsorship

Programme Description

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Target Group

Applicants from EU countries or that have an entitlement in accordance with the BAfög(German state student grant scheme) are eligible for sponsorship in a) degree courses leading to a first professionally qualifying degree (Diplom, Bachelor, Magister, state examination) b) Master degree courses leading to an advanced qualification

Number of Scholarships

Up to 15 scholarships

Contact

German Industry Foundation

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Internet: <u>www.sdw.org</u>

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Duration

Sponsorship is provided until the end of the standard period of study. If two degree courses are studied in parallel, sponsorship is provided until the first professionally qualifying degree is attained. The sponsorship period may be extended to a limited degree in justified cases.

Scholarship Value

The scholarship sum paid depends on the income of the scholarship holder's parents. In addition a book allowance is paid irrespective of income, and under certain circumstances a family allowance may also be provided.

- Maximum scholarship rate: 525 euros a month
- Book allowance (irrespective of income): 80 euros a month
- Family allowance: 155 euros a month

Scholarship holders participate in high-quality seminars and training

courses designed in co-operation with companies, industry associations, foundations and educational institutes.

Application Requirements

Eligible for application are students who,

- Are citizens of EU member states or
- Are entitled to support according to Article 8 of the Federal Education and Training Assistance Act (§ 8 BAfÖG) or
- Have completed their Abitur in Germany as migrants and who have prospects of permanent residence in Germany from a legal aspect.

Applicants should not be older than 30 years at the time of application.

Application Papers

- Registration at a state or officially recognised higher education institution (guideline of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research)
- Students can only receive support from the sdw (Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft - Foundation of German Business) if they actively work in one of the scholarship holder groups in Germany or in one of the 3 groups outside Germany (London, Paris, Switzerland) for at least 3 semesters, attend the group meetings regularly and take part in the sdw events programme in Germany.
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- In exceptional cases, students in the first semester who are

not able to provide 3 professional assessments by university teachers, may completely or partially replace these by professional assessments by former teachers.

- If the study guidelines prescribe that no evidence of academic achievement is provided before the end of the fourth semester, 3 professional assessments by university teachers are also adequate (this applies to medical students for instance).
- At least 3 semesters spent in Germany during the sponsorship period, in order to ensure active participation in the sponsorship programme.
- In deviation from this, sponsorship of a complete course of study outside Germany is only possible at the sdw locations in London, Paris, Zurich as well as not far from the German border with connection to a German scholarship holder group.
- Master's degree courses without previous sponsorship of a B.A. degree course can only be supported if the regular duration of studies is 4 semesters.
- Second and postgraduate courses or Master's degree courses after a Diplom, Magister or state examination course cannot be sponsored.
- Application for admission to the fellowship programme can only be made once. Students training to be teachers who were already rejected for sponsorship during the preparatory course, are not entitled to apply for admission to the fellowship programme.

[list | Command of German at intermediate level is required from applicants from EU countries.

Application Deadline

 At the time of admission, students are required have at least 4 semesters to go in accordance with the regular duration of studies. This may include a Master's degree course if this is commenced immediately after a Bachelor's degree course.

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Landesstiftung Baden-Württemberg: Baden-Württemberg Scholarship for Students

Programme Description

The Baden-Württemberg Scholarship for Students is awarded by the Baden-Württemberg Ministry of Science, Research and the Arts. Its aim is to promote international exchange between highly-qualified German and foreign students.

The programme is intended for students and graduates of all disciplines enrolled at statemaintained (public) higher education institutions in Baden-Württemberg (traditional universities, universities of applied sciences, universities of education, colleges of art and music) and Berufsakademien (vocational universities of cooperative education), as well as the partner universities of these institutions.

The programme funds good to excellent applicants who wish to extend their academic and intercultural skills and competency by completing a study or research stay in Baden-Württemberg.

Applications are open to students and graduates from all countries. The length and amount of funding is based on the type of the academic institution in question.

Target Group

The programme is aimed at students and postgraduates of all disciplines registered at state as well as selected non-state higher education institutions and professional academies in Baden-Württemberg as well as their partner higher education institutions. Only good to very good applicants who want to extend their academic and intercultural competence through a study and research period abroad or in Baden-Württemberg are to be sponsored.

Number of Scholarships

1350

Duration

- 1. Higher education institutions: The scholarship lasts at least 4 and a maximum of 11 months.
- 1. Berufsakademien (vocational universities of cooperative education): The scholarship lasts at least 3 and a maximum of 6 months.

The sponsorship sum also depends on the semester and progress of academic study (undergraduate, graduate) with a minimum of 400.00 EUR per month paid for students at higher education institutions and a minimum of 100.00 EUR per month for students at professional academies (Berufsakademie).

Application Requirements

Information about the application form and the additionally required documents is available from the appropriate international office (Akademisches Auslandsamt) of the higher education institution or professional academy.

Application Papers

Foreign students from partner universities submit their application at their home university.

Application Deadline

Applications must have been received by the universities by 31 March each year for the funding year to commence the following autumn.

Landesstiftung Baden-Württemberg

-- For further information please contact your university in your home country. Applications are to be sent to the international office of the respective home country university. --Harald Völkl Phone: 0711 / 22787-947 Fax: 0711 / 22787-72

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State Scholarship Foundation of the Rhineland-Palatinate: Scholarships

Programme Description

The State Scholarship Foundation of the Rhineland-Palatinate promotes talented domestic and foreign students, doctoral candidates and young researchers who are carrying out their project at a university in the Rhineland-Palatinate, or within the scope of international exchange programmes in which universities from the Rhineland-Palatinate are participating. Since the individual selection criteria are set by the universities themselves, interested students should contact the respective offices as soon as possible to inform themselves about the requirements, the papers to be submitted, and the application deadlines.

Target Group

The programme is open to talented domestic and foreign students, doctoral candidates and young researchers enrolled at universities in the Rhineland-Palatinate or studying within the scope of international exchange programmes in which universities from the Rhineland-Palatinate are participating

Academic Requirements

Applicants must be studying at a university in the Rhineland-Palatinate

Scholarship Value

Students enrolled at state universities in the Rhineland-Palatinate or applicant students who intend to study at a university in the Rhineland-Palatinate should contact their university direct to find out about the funding opportunities. A list of all higher education institutions in the Rhineland-Palatinate can be found <u>here</u>.

Application Requirements

Students enrolled at state universities in the Rhineland-Palatinate or applicant students who intend to study at a university in the Rhineland-Palatinate should contact their university direct to find out about the funding opportunities. A list of all higher education institutions in the Rhineland-Palatinate can be found <u>here</u>.

Application Papers

Students enrolled at state universities in the Rhineland-Palatinate or applicant students who intend to study at a university in the Rhineland-Palatinate should contact their university direct to find out about the funding opportunities. A list of all higher education institutions in the Rhineland-Palatinate can be found <u>here</u>.

Application Deadline

Students enrolled at state universities in the Rhineland-Palatinate or applicant students who intend to study at a university in the Rhineland-Palatinate should contact their university direct to find out about the funding opportunities. A list of all higher education institutions in the Rhineland-Palatinate can be found <u>here</u>.

Universities in Hamburg: Excellence Scholarships in Hamburg

Programme Description

Foreign students and graduates with outstanding academic and artistic results are given the opportunity of being accepted into the Hamburg Excellence Scholarships programme. Applications are handled directly by the respective universities. These also set all the relevant requirements. Hence, interested students should make early contact with the respective offices at the university in question.

Target Group

Foreign students and graduates with outstanding academic results who are studying at one of the public universities in Hamburg. A list of all universities in Hamburg can be found<u>here</u>.

Academic Requirements

Applications for Diplom, Magister and Staatsexamen scholarships can only be submitted as from the main study stage at the earliest.

Students enrolled in one of the new degree programmes – BA, BSc, MA and MSc – can only apply at the earliest in the third semester. In all cases, the applicant students must already have completed at least two semesters in the present subject.

Duration

Up to 1 year. Each university is responsible for setting its own specific award criteria and application process. Please contact the chosen university for detailed information. A list of all universities in Hamburg can be found <u>here</u>.

Application Requirements

Each university is responsible for setting its own specific award criteria and application process. Please contact the chosen university for detailed information. A list of all universities in Hamburg can be found <u>here</u>.

Application Papers

Each university is responsible for setting its own specific award criteria and application process. Please contact the chosen university for detailed information. A list of all universities in Hamburg can be found <u>here</u>.

Application Deadline

Each university is responsible for setting its own specific award criteria and application process. Please contact the chosen university for detailed information. A list of all universities in Hamburg can be found <u>here</u>.

Inter-University Partnerships

Objective

Various kinds of support are available for foreign members of universities within the framework of inter-university partnerships. These partnerships are essentially built on formal agreements reached between two higher education institutions or their management and provide long-term exchange and cooperation measures. Details on academic cooperation as well as the exchange of students, lecturers, professors and researchers are governed in these cooperation agreements, which also define funding responsibilities.

Value

The German higher education institutions have various sources at their disposal from which they can gain support for partnerships.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice

- Interested parties should inquire at their home higher education institution as to whether any firm partnerships with German higher education institutions are in place within whose framework a stay in Germany could be funded.
- The promotion of an inter-University partnership does not exclude the promotion of

"Bilateral DAAD Programmes for Co-operative Research Grants" or the "Bilateral Exchange of Academics".

Please note for all scholarship programmes: Scholarship announcements contain general information on the programme in question. Application conditions specifically for candidates from your country (Ethiopia) as well as information on the application process can be found, where applicable, at <u>"Country Specific Information"</u>.

Absolventa e.V.: Absolventa e.V. - The Web2.0-Scholarship

Programme Description

Students and graduates vote online to chose which student or graduate receives a scholarship. This is the underlying principle of the scholarship programme initiated by Absolventa and financed by numerous companies. Applicants can apply for a sum of up to 5,000 euros – be it for literature, a laptop, the semester contribution or support for a semester abroad – the reasons only have to relate to the studies in some way. The applicants with the most votes and best assessments receive a scholarship. The scholarship is open to all students and graduates enrolled at German, Austrian or Swiss universities; an applicant's nationality is irrelevant here. Applicants holding an academic degree must, however, have gained this qualification after 1 January 2005.

Target Group

Students and graduates who are able to convince other students and graduates that they need a scholarship.

Academic Requirements

Students, graduates whose studies were completed no longer than one year ago, and doctoral candidates.

Number of Scholarships Decided by the community.

Duration There is a one-off payment.

Scholarship Value

A maximum of 5,000 euros per person.

Application Requirements

Applications are open to those who meet the following requirements.

- Matriculated at a German, Austrian or Swiss university
- German, Austrian or Swiss citizenship, although studying at a university abroad
- Matriculated at a German, Austrian or Swiss university, but currently completing a semester abroad

- The studies were completed no more than one year ago or a doctorate (under consideration of the above-mentioned points)
- The studies begin in the next few months (under consideration of the above-mentioned points) and proof is provided that the funding relates to the studies in some way.

Further information is available on the following page: www.stipendium.de/ev/bewerber.

Application Papers

The first step for potential applicants is to register via the website <u>www.stipendium.de/ev/bewerber</u>. Applicants are then invited to submit a curriculum vitae and a motivation letter. This is followed by an invitation to submit a curriculum vitae and to write a motivation letter. The motivation letter can be submitted in the form of images, songs, presentations or texts. The motivation letter should give reasons on why and how much funding you would like to receive.

Application Deadline

The registration begins in March 2010 and ends in summer 2010.

Absolventa e.V.

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<u>Church Development Service (EED): Scholarship programme for free mover</u> <u>students from developing countries</u>

Programme Description

The Church Development Service (Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst- EED) offers students from third world countries the opportunity of a study visit to Germany. The education aimed at has to be of interest to a partner of the Development Service or be in the interest of the systematic development of educational facilities. The application therefore requires recommendation by the partner institutions. Factors such as completion of a degree course and any work experience also influence the selection procedure. The programme supports about 100 scholarship holders every year. Scholarship holders receive a basic sum of 850.00 EUR per month during their course of study. Additional allowances such as for books are also available.

Target Group

The programme is intended for students from developing countries who live in the Federal Republic of Germany for the duration of their studies and then work in their home country or another developing country after completion of their studies - in an effort to make a contribution to the development of their country.

Number of Scholarships 100

Scholarship Value Singles and families

- Basic monthly grant: 850.00 EUR
- Monthly book allowance: 50.00 EUR
- Monthly additional married couples allowance (only for family scholarships): 280.00 EUR
- Additional child allowance for up to 3 children, monthly per child (only for family scholarships): 170.00 EUR

Single parents

- Basic monthly grant: 850.00 EUR
- Monthly book allowance: 50.00 EUR
- Monthly additional allowance for the first child: 280.00 EUR
- Monthly additional allowance for each second and third child: 170.00 EUR

Additionally:

- Full payment of health insurance contributions
- Full payment of semester or study fees
- In-between trip home or job preparatory work placement and study visit to the home country
- Cost of return flight home and fixed freight costs for return within 6 months after last allowance payment

. The programme also includes support in the form of advice, spiritual aid and assistance with studies-related matters.

Application Requirements

Students with a focus on developing countries in their main course of study may also receive a scholarship. In their main course of study, students should if possible opt for courses related to the developing countries and select development policy related subjects or topics with reference to their own country for seminar work or final projects.

Application Papers Please refer to <u>this document</u> for detailed information about the formal requirements.

Application Deadline The closing dates for submission of applications are 1st January and 1st July.

Church Development Service (EED)

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<u>Federal Ministry of Education and Research: German Law on Support for</u> <u>Education and Training (Bundesausbildungsförderungsgesetz - BAföG)</u>

Programme Description

Training assistance as per BAföG is primarily provided to German citizens whose income does not exceed a certain level. Foreigners are provided training assistance as per BAföG to the same extent as Germans if they are among the persons listed in § 1 section 2ff BAföG (www.bafoeg.bmbf.de/de/372.php). Thus foreign students also have the option to apply for assistance as per BAföG under certain circumstances. However, in order to qualify they must generally already have resided in Germany before beginning their academic studies and meet further conditions, such as:

- Being a recognised refugee or having been granted political asylum
- Coming from an EU member state and having been economically active in Germany before beginning their studies. The subject studied and the profession in which the applicant previously worked must be in some way related.

Students receive half their assistance as an interest-free government loan. This means that half the money received must be repaid after training is completed. Applications for assistance as per BAföG must be made at the agencies for educational assistance at the German higher education institute (usually with student services at the university location).

Target Group

Foreign trainees receive assistance if, for example, one parent or their spouse is a German citizen or the trainee is entitled to political asylum, an accepted refugee or a displaced person. Trainees from EU member states who are resident in Germany are also included in the BAföG's sponsorship remit to a great extent. Other foreigners are generally eligible for assistance if they or at least one of their parents were economically active in Germany for five or three years prior to the start of the training.

Duration

The duration of assistance for students at higher education institutions depends on the chosen discipline. The respective maximum assistance period for the chosen discipline is derived from the respective standard period of study or - if none is specified - directly from the law (§ 15a BAföG). Students at academies and higher vocational schools are supported for the duration of the training period as determined by the respective training and examination regulations. From the fifth subject-related semester on, students at higher vocational schools, academies and higher education institutions will only be supported if they submit proof of academic achievement as per § 48 BAföG.

Training assistance is possible as from the time the studies begin.

Scholarship Value

Half the assistance for students at higher vocational schools, academies and higher education institutions is provided in the form of interest-free government loans. This means that half the money received must be repaid after training is completed. For those cases where applicants are not entitled to BAföG, alternative financing options such as educational loans or interest-bearing bank loans are available.

More information at: http://www.bafoeg.bmbf.de

Application Requirements

Students at higher vocational schools, academies or higher education institutions are required

to present proof of aptitude at the beginning of the fifth subject-related semester. If the training and examination regulations require intermediate exams before the third semester, assistance is also dependent on submission of corresponding proof of aptitude for the third and fourth semesters. Students are only eligible for assistance if they begin the training for which they apply for assistance before they are 30 years of age.

Application Papers

Generally responsible for students are the student services at the higher education institution where the student is enrolled.

Application Deadline

Applications should be made when beginning academic studies at the latest. No retroactive payments will be made for applications made later on.

Federal Ministry of Education and Research Toll-free number from Germany: 0800-223 63 41 Phone: 0800 / 2236341

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E-Mail: information@bmbf.bund.de

Bilateral Exchange of Academics

Objective

The programme aims to provide support for a research and study visit. Lecture tours and conference attendance cannot be supported.

Duration

The stay generally should last at least a fortnight and at most three months. The date and purpose of the stay should be agreed in advance with the German host institution.

Value

The DAAD will pay for the costs incurred by the academic as a result of the stay; travel expenses must be paid by the partner institution in the respective home country.

Requirements

- Applications are open to foreign holders of doctorates who are working in countries abroad with which such an exchange of academics is envisaged within the framework of cultural exchange programmes and other bilateral agreements.
- Depending on programme responsibility and the support-policy priorities of the foreign partner, the academic exchange within individual programmes may be restricted to specific institutions and/or disciplines.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice Further information can be obtained on the DAAD website <u>www.daad.de/stipendien</u> or from the <u>diplomatic and consular representations</u> of the Federal Republic of Germany and from the <u>regional offices</u> or <u>Information and Advice Centres</u> abroad. The regional departments of the <u>DAAD Head Office</u> in Bonn can give information as well.

Please note for all scholarship programmes: Scholarship announcements contain general information on the programme in question. Application conditions specifically for candidates from your country (Ethiopia) as well as information on the application process can be found, where applicable, at <u>"Country Specific Information"</u>.

Re-invitation Programme for Former Scholarship Holders

Objective

To maintain contacts, the following former DAAD scholarship holders can apply for a reinvitation: One-year scholarship holders, study scholarship holders, research grant holders with a scholarship/grant lasting more than six months as well as scholarship holders who studied in East Germany (DDR) for at least one year. The stay aims to enable the holder to carry out a research project or another project at a public or state-recognised higher education institution or non-university research institution.

Duration

Depending on the applicant's work schedule, the research stay can last between one and three months.

Value

- Depending on the applicant's academic status, the monthly award will amount to 1,840 euros for assistant lecturers, assistant professors and young lecturers, and 1,990 euros for professors, in exceptions, 2,240 euros.
- In addition to these payments, the DAAD generally will pay an appropriate flat-rate travel allowance, unless these costs are covered by the home country or by another funding source.

Requirements

- Applications for re-invitations are open to the above-specified former scholarship holders (alumni) who have been back in their home country for at least three years.
- The most important selection criterion is a convincing and well-planned research or work project to be completed during the stay in Germany. The content and schedule must have been coordinated and agreed with an academic supervisor or research collaboration partner at the German host institution in question. Written confirmation of the planned cooperation project, including express reference to the applicant's project, must be included with the application.

- The application must include proof of a workplace being provided at the host institute.
- DAAD support for a research or work stay can only be awarded once in any three-year period.

Application papers

- Detailed information on the application papers to be submitted can be found in the print version (blue) of the Application Form for "Research Stays and Study Visits for University Academics and Scientists" ("Forschungs- und Arbeitsaufenthalte ausländischer Hochschullehrer und Wissenschaftler"), which can be obtained on the Internet (www.daad.de/en/form) or from the diplomatic and consular representations of the Federal Republic of Germany, from DAAD Lektors, from the DAAD regional offices Information and Advice Centres, and from partner organisations.
- The DAAD will not consider incomplete applications.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice

- The DAAD website <u>www.daad.de/stipendien</u> provides further specific information for applicants from your home country, including the exact deadlines for the submission of application papers and on where applications should be sent. Upon request, the German diplomatic and consular representations and the DAAD regional office responsible for your country will also be able to provide you with this information.
- Applications must not be sent direct to DAAD head office in Bonn.
- The above-mentioned website will also provide the addresses of institutions which you can contact in your home country for further information and advice.

The President of the DAAD issues all invitations.

Please note for all scholarship programmes: Scholarship announcements contain general information on the programme in question. Application conditions specifically for candidates from your country (Ethiopia) as well as information on the application process can be found, where applicable, at <u>"Country Specific Information"</u>.

<u>Research Grants for Doctoral Candidates and Young Academics and</u> <u>Scientists</u>

Objective

Research grants provide young foreign academics and scientists with an opportunity to carry out a research project or a course of continuing education and training at a German state (public) or state-recognised higher education institution or non-university research institute. The prime goal is the funding of the doctoral dissertation. Specifically, this grant serves the following purposes:

- research projects at a German higher education institution for the purpose of gaining a doctorate in the home country (this includes the doctoral programmes offered for developing and transformation countries under the "DAAD Sandwich Model" see Information Leaflet, which is also available on the Internet <u>www.daad.de/extrainfo</u>);
- research projects at a German university for the purpose of gaining a doctorate in Germany; for projects of these kinds, we would particularly refer to the structured doctoral study programmes, such as Research Training Groups or Doctoral Research Groups, International Postgraduate Programmes, Graduate Schools, Max Planck Research Schools, etc. Please go to the following website for further information: <u>www.daad.de/ipp</u>;
- research projects or continuing education and training, but without aiming for a formal degree/qualification.

Postdocs can also refer to the funding opportunities offered by the Alexander von Humboldt-Foundation.

Duration

- The length of the grant is set by the grant committee at the selection session. Depending on the project in question and on the applicant's work schedule, grants can be paid generally for between one and ten months, in the case of full doctoral programmes in Germany for up to three years, and in exceptions for up to a maximum of four years.
- Support can only be provided for the completion of a full doctoral programme in Germany when special support policy reasons exist. Such reasons include, for example, the lack of comparable research or academic supervision opportunities in the home country or when the doctoral topic requires several years of research in Germany.
- Support for full doctoral programmes in Germany is based on a programme length of three years; if foreign graduates first have to qualify for admission to a doctoral programme, then grants can be awarded for a period of four years. Even when support has been awarded for a full doctoral programme, that award will initially be limited to a maximum of one year. Extensions then depend on whether or not the evaluation finds the previous award period to have been successfully completed.

Value

• Depending on the award holder's academic level, the DAAD will pay a monthly award of 750 euros (graduates holding a first degree) or 1,000 euros (doctoral candidates).

As a rule, the scholarship additionally includes certain payments towards health insurance cover in Germany. Furthermore, the DAAD generally will pay an appropriate flat-rate travel allowance, unless these costs are covered by the home country or by another funding source.

- Award holders completing a stay of more than six months receive a study and research allowance plus, where appropriate, a rent subsidy and family allowance. Funding for attendance of a language course is decided on a case-by-case basis (cf. Requirements).
- When award holders take doctoral programmes run under the "DAAD Sandwich Model", then the award may include the travel expenses of an academic supervisor as long as this was already applied for in the first application.

Requirements

- Applications for DAAD research grants are open to excellently-qualified university graduates who hold a Diplom or Master's degree at the time they commence the grant-supported research and, in exceptional cases, graduates holding a Bachelor's degree or already holding a doctorate/PhD (post-docs).
- It is required that doctoral candidates wishing to take a doctorate/PhD in their home country will already have been admitted to an appropriate course at their home university.
- The application papers must generally include written confirmation of academic supervision by a professor in Germany and expressly refer to the applicant's project, thereby confirming that the host institute will provide a workplace. If the applicant is planning to complete a doctorate at the German host university, the letter of confirmation must come from the academic supervisor (Doktorvater/Doktormutter) for the applicant's doctoral programme/thesis.
- Applicants who intend to gain their doctorate within the scope of a structured doctoral study programme are required to present a letter of admission from their study programme or at least proof that they are being considered for admission.
- Besides previous study achievements, the most important selection criterion is a convincing and well-planned research or continuing education and training project to be completed during the stay in Germany and which has been coordinated and agreed with an academic supervisor at the chosen German host institute.
- German language skills are generally required, although the required level also depends on the applicant's project and topic, as well as on the available opportunities for learning German in the applicant's home country. In the natural sciences and in engineering disciplines, in particular, and when English is spoken at the host institute, proof of good English language skills may also be accepted. The DAAD decides on a case-by-case basis whether the applicant can attend a German language course before beginning the research grant (free of charge for the award holder). This option is only available for research grants lasting more than six months. The country-specific information on the DAAD homepage will tell you which language skills are required from applicants from your home country.
- At the time of application, generally no more than six years should have passed since gaining the last degree; in the case of doctoral students, no more than three years should have passed since starting the doctoral process; and in the case of postdocs, no more than two years should have passed since gaining the doctorate. In the case of postdocs who are applying for a short stay (of up to six months), no more than four years should have passed since gaining the doctorate. Depending on the country of

origin of applicants, for example, special conditions prevailing in the home country education system, etc., exceptions are possible. The country-specific information on the DAAD homepage will provide you with more detailed information.

- Applicants, who have been resident in Germany for longer than one year at the time of application, cannot be considered.
- Special note for medical students: The special leaflet "Additional information on DAAD-research-grants for applicants from medical fields" provides information on specific requirements (also available on the Internet <u>www.daad.de/extrainfo</u>).

Application papers

- Detailed information on what application papers need to be submitted can be found on the Application Form for "Research Grants and Study Scholarships" ("Antrag auf ein Forschungs-/Studienstipendium"), which can be obtained on the Internet (www.daad.de/en/form) or from the <u>diplomatic and consular representations</u> of the Federal Republic of Germany, from DAAD Lektors, from the <u>DAAD regional offices</u> or <u>Information and Advice Centres</u>, and from partner organisations.
- The DAAD will not consider incomplete applications.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice

- The DAAD website <u>www.daad.de/stipendien</u> provides further specific information for applicants from your home country. This information includes the language skills which applicants from your country of origin must meet, as well as information on the exact deadlines for the submission of the application papers and on where applications should be sent.
- Applications must not be sent direct to DAAD head office in Bonn.
- The above-mentioned website will also provide the addresses of institutions which you can contact in your home country for further information and advice.

Please note for all scholarship programmes: Scholarship announcements contain general information on the programme in question. Application conditions specifically for candidates from your country (Ethiopia) as well as information on the application process can be found, where applicable, at <u>"Country Specific Information"</u>.

Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists

Objective

These grants and scholarships aim to provide foreign academics and scientists working in higher education or at research institutes with an opportunity to carry out a research project at a state (public) or state-recognised higher education institution or non-university research institute in Germany.

Duration

Depending on the applicant's work schedule, the research stay will last between one and three months.

Value

- Depending on the applicant's academic status, the monthly award will amount to 1,840 euros for assistant lecturers, assistant professors and young lecturers, and 1,990 euros for professors, in exceptions, 2,240 euros.
- In addition to these payments, the DAAD generally will pay an appropriate flat-rate travel allowance, unless these costs are covered by the home country or by another funding source.

Requirements

- Applications for DAAD research stays are open to excellently-qualified academics and scientists who should generally hold a doctorate/PhD. All applicants must be working in higher education or at a research institute in their home country.
- Besides their previous academic achievements (for example, recent publications), the most important selection criterion is a convincing and well-planned research project to be completed during the stay in Germany. This must have been coordinated and agreed with a research collaboration partner at the chosen host institute in Germany. Written confirmation of the research cooperation, including express reference to the applicant's project, must be included with the application papers.
- The application must provide proof of a workplace being provided at the host institute.
- DAAD support for a research stay can only be awarded once in any three-year period.
- Former fellows of the Alexander von Humboldt-Foundation are requested to contact the Humboldt-Foundation first.

Application papers

 Detailed information on the application papers which need to be submitted can be found in the Application Form for "Research Stays and Study Visits for University Academics and Scientists" ("Forschungs- und Arbeitsaufenthalte ausländischer Hochschullehrer und Wissenschaftler" – in printed form blue), which can be obtained on the Internet (www.daad.de/en/form) or from the diplomatic and consular representations of the Federal Republic of Germany, from DAAD Lektors, from the DAAD regional offices or Information and Advice Centres, and from partner organisations.

• The DAAD will not consider incomplete applications.

Country-specific information, dates and deadlines, application address and advice

- The DAAD website <u>www.daad.de/stipendien</u> provides information on the precise deadlines for the submission of applications and on where these should be sent. Upon request, the German diplomatic and consular representations and the DAAD regional office responsible for your country will also be able to provide this information.
- Applications cannot be sent direct to DAAD head office in Bonn.
- The above-mentioned website will also provide the addresses of institutions which you can contact in your home country for further information and advice.

Please note for all scholarship programmes: Scholarship announcements contain general information on the programme in question. Application conditions specifically for candidates from your country (Ethiopia) as well as information on the application process can be found, where applicable, at <u>"Country Specific Information"</u>.

European Union - Marie Curie Actions: International Incoming Fellowships (IIF)

Programme Description

This European Union programme - represented in Germany by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (AvHS) - supports excellent academics currently active in a third country, in the conduction of research projects lasting 1 to 2 years at a research institute in a European country. International Incoming Fellowships advance the academic standard of institutions in Europe by collaborating with individual researchers from non-European countries with the aim of establishing a long-term cooperation of mutual benefit.

Target Group

Researchers of all nationalities currently working in a non-European country are eligible for application. The general mobility rule of the Marie Curie Actions applies: an application together with an institution in a country in which the researcher has already resided or worked for over 12 months in the last 3 years, cannot be made.

Academic Requirements

Only experienced researchers may apply. This means that applicants have to have either completed a doctorate or are able to provide evidence of at least four years of research experience (full-time equivalent). Researchers with advanced research experience are favoured.

Duration

A research phase in an institution in an EU member or associated state is supported for 1 to 2 years. A return phase of 1 year can be funded for researchers from a country which is one of the ICPC (International Co-operation Partner Countries).

Scholarship Value

During the research phase in Europe, researchers receive a monthly basic salary or grant, a mobility allowance, as well as further allowances for travelling expenses and research funds. Researchers from a member of the ICPC may receive a grant of 15,000.00 EUR for the 1-year return phase. The host institutions are awarded a subsidy for administrative and indirect costs.

Application Requirements

Application is made jointly by the institution in Europe and the individual researcher, as well as together with the institution in the researcher's home country to which he/she will ultimately go back to if applicable.

Application Papers

Concrete instructions for making an application are published on this website.

Application Deadline

A call for applications for International Incoming Fellowships is generally published once a year (currently: publication in March with closing date for applications in mid-August).

<u>Alexander von Humboldt Foundation: Georg Forster Research Fellowship for</u> <u>experienced researchers</u>

Programme Description

The Georg Forster research fellowship programme for experienced researchers of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation enables highly qualified scientists and scholars from all disciplines from developing and threshold countries to carry out long-term research in Germany. The research proposal must address issues of significant relevance to the future development of the applicant's country of origin and, in this context, promise to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and methods to developing and threshold countries.

Target Group

Highly qualified scientists and scholars from all disciplines from developing and threshold countries (excluding People's Republic of China, India and Turkey; c.f. detailed <u>list of countries</u>) who have completed their doctorates no longer than 12 years earlier.

Number of Scholarships

60 (for postdoctoral and experienced researchers together)

Duration

6 to 18 months: flexible, up to three stays within three years.

Scholarship Value

A monthly grant of 2,450.00 EUR is paid. This includes a standard travel allowance as well as a contribution towards a health and personal liability insurance.

Application Requirements

- Doctorate or comparable academic degree (Ph.D., C.Sc. or equivalent) awarded no longer than 12 years earlier at the time of receipt of the application.
- Individual scientific profile of the applicant, substantiated by means of an extensive list of scientific publications in journals and by publishers referenced according to international standard;
- Confirmation of a research post as well as a detailed letter of recommendation from an academic host at a research facility in Germany;
- Reference letters of recommendation from important cooperation partners or academics at the own and other institutes, if possible also from outside the country of origin;
- Language skills: Humanities scholars, social scientists and medics are required to be proficient in German to the extent that this is necessary for successful conduction of the project, otherwise a good knowledge of English is required; natural and engineering scientists are required to have a good command of German or English.
- Principal place of residence and work in a developing or threshold country (excluding People's Republic of China, India and Turkey, c.f. detailed list of countries).

Application Papers

Application documents can be downloaded <u>here</u>.

Application Deadline

Applications can be submitted to the AvH at any time.

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Duke August Library: Main programme

Programme Description

The Herzog August Bibliothek Wolfenbütel is a research and study centre for the medieval and early modern period. In order to enable academics who hold a doctorate to continue their studies at the library for a period of two to twelve months, the Herzog August Bibliothek awards grants in its main programme to academics from all origins and disciplines. Both full and partial grants can be awarded. Grant holders are subject to a residential obligation.

Target Group

Academics from all origins and disciplines that hold a doctorate and want to conduct research at the library into the Medieval and early modern period.

Academic Requirements

Academics that hold a doctorate

Duration 2 to 12 months

Scholarship Value

The full scholarship is 1,600 EUR per month, the partial scholarship 1,050 EUR. A grant towards inbound and outbound travel will be paid.

Application Requirements

Application forms are to be requested from: Herzog August Bibliothek Frau Dr. Gillian Bepler Postfach 13 64 D - 38299 Wolfenbütel Tel.: 05331/808-208 Fax: 05331/808-266 Email: <u>bepler@hab.de</u>

Application Papers

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Application Deadline

Completed application documents for the following calendar year must be received by the research promotion department by 31st January. Application forms are to be requested from: Herzog August Bibliothek Frau Dr. Gillian Bepler Postfach 13 64 D - 38299 Wolfenbütel Tel.: 05331/808-208 Fax: 05331/808-266 Email: bepler@hab.de

Duke August Library

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Fritz Thyssen Foundation: Research Fellowships

Programme Description

The Fritz Thyssen Foundation was set up in 1959 for the purpose of promoting the sciences at universities and research institutions mainly in Germany, with particular emphasis on young scientists. For this reason the foundation sponsors approximately 25 young scientists from all over the world for one year. Applicants' country of origin and area of specialisation are irrelevant for awarding the fellowships. The scholarship is composed of a basic sum and fringe benefits. The basic amount is 1,700.00 EUR per month regardless of age.

Target Group

The foundation's fellowships are reserved for young doctorate holders who will generally have completed their doctorates no more than one or two years ago. Doctorate and professorial scholarships will not be awarded.

Academic Requirements Doctorate

Number of Scholarships Approx. 25

Duration

One year

Scholarship Value

The scholarship consists of a basic sum and fringe benefits. The basic amount is 1,700.00 EUR per month regardless of age. Own income of up to 500.00 EUR from an academic sideline job will not be considered in fixing the basic amount. A different basic amount may be fixed in exceptional cases. A 100.00 EUR flat-rate sum can be paid to cover material and travel expenses (e.g. for books, information-gathering trips to other work groups) directly related to the academic work. Special and essential expenditures above this level (e.g. high course fees) can only be considered after prior application. A bonus for travel costs to the place of academic work may be paid up to the level of the actual costs, which in principle should not exceed second-class train and economy-class air fares. Price reductions should be exploited wherever possible. In bona fide cases of continuing obligations (e.g. when the scholarship holder is not accompanied to his academic workplace by his/her family), a commensurate subsidy towards these obligations (e.g. rent) of up to about 200.00 EUR per month can be paid upon application. In principle, no consideration can be given to saving schemes (e.g. life insurance or savings bank). Upon application, academics will receive a child care bonus for children no older than 12 years. Partial scholarships (at least 50%) can be granted to enable the holder to care for his or her children along with his or her academic work. The term of the scholarship is then extended accordingly.

Application Requirements

A completed doctorate is one of the requirements. Furthermore, the fellowship is to be connected to an independent scientific project based on the applicant's own initiative and carried out a university or non-profit research institution for the purpose of further education. The grant is paid subject to proof of adequate health insurance cover.

Application Papers

Application form (can be found on the website) Tabular curriculum vitae Extensive description of intended research project (problem, status of research, own prior work, intended procedure, methods, schedule, staff, publications on the topic) Confirmation of the possibility of working at the intended research institution If applicable, cost plan for intended visit abroad or similar

Application Deadline

Fellowship applications can be submitted to the foundation at any time. Processing time is generally six to eight weeks.

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German Research Foundation (DFG): Emmy Noether Programme

Programme Description

The Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) promotes research in all fields of science and the humanities. Its focus is on scientific excellence, sponsoring new generations of scientists, interdisciplinarity and internationality. The Emmy Noether Programme aims to offer young scientists the opportunity of achieving the requirements for an appointment as a university teacher over a contiguous period of usually five years. This qualification is to be gained specifically by managing a group of young scientists in sole responsibilities. Every year, approximately 39 scientists of all disciplines are sponsored in this way – including scientists from outside Germany. The only important point is that the applicant intends to embark on a scientific career in Germany after the end of the scholarship.

Target Group

Applications may be made by postdocs with generally two to four years' research experience after their doctorate. Applicants must have international research experience. The sponsorship offers them the opportunity to quickly qualify for a scientific management position, particularly as a university teacher, by independently supervising a group of young scientists

in connection with qualification-specific teaching tasks.

Number of Scholarships

about 50

Duration

Usually five, no more than six years

Scholarship Value

Sponsorship of a young scientists' group, including the post of supervisor of the young scientists' group according to BAT Ia/E15 TV-L, for the applicant and the personnel and material funds needed to carry out the project for usually five years.

Application Requirements

- Generally at least two up to a maximum of four years of postdoc experience,
- Substantial international research experience, generally demonstrated by at least twelve months' scientific experience abroad while completing a doctorate or in the post-doc phase, or by equivalent scientific co-operations with researchers abroad (these co-operations can be proven, for example, through relevant publications),
- Quickly completed academic training
- Excellent research project
- High-quality publications in internationally high-ranking periodicals or comparable form, in relation to previous scientific activity.
- Willingness to work in Germany after the end of the sponsorship

Application Papers

Information about the form of application and the selection procedure is provided in Point IV of <u>this document</u>.

Application Deadline

No fixed application deadlines

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