

Copernicus Hamburg: Copernicus Fellowship Programme

Overview

Programme Description

Copernicus Hamburg awards fellowships to Eastern and Central European, North African and Central Asian students every semester. The fellowships last about 6 months. In general, the fellowship for the winter semester run from October to the end of March. For the summer semester, they start at the beginning of April and last until the end of September. In the first 3 months of their stay in Germany, the fellows visit the university, in the last 2 to 3 months they complete an internship in a company, a public authority or an organisation.

Copernicus expects the fellows to provide evidence of achievements (through homework, oral or written exams) during the semester. At least 3 proofs of achievement must be provided.

The internship, which the fellows complete during their stay in Germany, is organised by Copernicus together with the fellow. For this purpose, the fellows apply to the respective companies at the beginning of their study visit with the support of Copernicus members. The internship providers are mostly international companies, law firms, authorities or organisations.

Target Group

Candidates from the following disciplines are eligible:

- legal sciences
- political science/international relations
- business/economics
- humanities and social sciences
- natural sciences
- medicine
- architecture, only in connection with the Hamburg special programme "Architecture for students from Cluj University in Romania"

Academic Requirements

Bachelor's or Master's students who have completed at least 1 semester at the beginning of the programme are welcome to apply. Medical students must be enrolled in the 4th or 5th year at their home university during their semester in Hamburg.

Duration

about 6 months

Scholarship Value

The Copernicus grant covers the living expenses during the funding period, that is, costs for accommodation, board, health insurance, enrolment and public transport. A monthly spending money allowance of presently 310 EUR is also included. Furthermore, Copernicus pays for the least expensive travel to and from Germany as well as for the visa fees.

Copernicus organises accommodation for the fellows either in host families or in student residences. However, the majority of the fellows stay with host families.

Application Papers

Please find all application forms and the relevant information on the application procedure [here \[https://copernicus-stipendium.de/voraussetzungen/\]](https://copernicus-stipendium.de/voraussetzungen/).

Application Deadline

Application deadlines are:

- 1 September for the following summer semester (programme start 1 April)
- 1 March for the following winter semester (programme start 1 October)

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Further conditions:

- good to very good German language skills (level B2 or C1)
- proof of societal engagement

Please also take note of our [important scholarship information \[https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/\]](https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/).

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