

## **DKFZ Heidelberg: Helmholtz International Graduate School for Cancer Research (PhD Programme)**

### **Overview**

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#### **Programme Description**

International students holding a Master's degree in (molecular) biology, (bio-)chemistry, (bio-)physics, computational biology, computer science, epidemiology/public health studies and related subjects can apply for the International PhD Program.

PhD students are supported by a Thesis Advisory Committee, participate in scientific and professional skills courses, attend international conferences and receive career development support. The language of the PhD program is English. Full funding is provided for the duration of the PhD, either by the DKFZ, third party sources or in collaboration with the DAAD within their Graduate School Scholarship Program.

Research at the DKFZ is organized into the following programs with a lot of interaction and interdisciplinary PhD projects available across different topics:

- [Cell Biology and Tumor Biology \[https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-a.php?campaign=phd/stipend\]](https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-a.php?campaign=phd/stipend)
- [Functional and Structural Genomics \[https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-b.php?campaign=phd/stipend\]](https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-b.php?campaign=phd/stipend)
- [Cancer Risk Factors and Prevention \[https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-c.php?campaign=phd/stipend\]](https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-c.php?campaign=phd/stipend)
- [Tumor Immunology \[https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-d.php?campaign=phd/stipend\]](https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-d.php?campaign=phd/stipend)
- [Imaging and Radiooncology \[https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-e.php?campaign=phd/stipend\]](https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-e.php?campaign=phd/stipend)
- [Infection, Inflammation and Cancer \[https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-f.php?campaign=phd/stipend\]](https://www.dkfz.de/en/forschung/schwerpunkte/fsp-f.php?campaign=phd/stipend)

#### **Target Group**

Internationals holding a Master's degree in the natural sciences who wish to obtain a doctorate in the field of cancer research.

#### **Academic Requirements**

Master of Science (MSc) or academic equivalent

#### **Number of Scholarships**

30 to 40 PhD positions per year

#### **Duration**

three years

#### **Scholarship Value**

All PhD positions at the DKFZ are fully funded for three years. The salaries are competitive by national and international standards in this field.

#### **Application Papers**

You will find the online application system as well as information on the application procedure [here \[https://www.dkfz.de/en/phd-program/HowToApply.html?campaign=phd/stipend\]](https://www.dkfz.de/en/phd-program/HowToApply.html?campaign=phd/stipend)

## **Application Deadline**

Application deadlines are 5 January and 31 May of each year.

## **Application requirements**

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### **Application Requirements**

- higher-education qualification: Master of Science (MSc) or academic equivalent
- very good school and academic records
- very good proficiency in English
- two letters of recommendation

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