

# Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs: Foreign Language Assistants from Abroad Teaching at German Schools

## Overview

# **Programme Description**

Every year about 800 foreign students come to Germany as foreign-language assistants (FLA) to be placed in host schools and support the local subject-specialist teachers in their native languages. The FLA assist the teachers during 12 lessons per week and help make the situation of learning a foreign language lively and inspiring for the pupils.

The FLA's responsibilities include

- language tutorials and providing information for cultural studies lessons
- role playing or rehearsing exam situations with the pupils
- conversation exercises in small groups
- preparing illustrative and teaching materials.

#### **Target Group**

students from Australia, Belgium, Canada (anglophones and Quebec), France, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand, Spain, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the United States and China.

## **Academic Requirements**

As a rule, the future foreign-language assistants should have completed a degree course of at least 2 years at a higher education institution in their home countries with one of the subjects being German.

## **Number of Scholarships**

about 800 grants each year

#### **Duration**

about 6 to 9 months

#### Scholarship Value

- monthly stipend of 1,000 EUR
- health-, accident- and liability insurances
- contribution to travel expenses, if necessary

## **Application Papers**

International students may apply directly in their home countries. The contact data of the relevant partner organisations are available <a href="http://www.kmk-pad.org/programme/ausl-fsa.html#c5616">http://www.kmk-pad.org/programme/ausl-fsa.html#c5616</a>].

#### **Application Deadline**

The competent partner organisations in your country of origin will provide you with the application deadlines. Please find a detailed list at the website of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs [http://www.kmk-pad.org/programme/ausl-fsa.html#c5616].

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Foreign-language assistants should have completed a degree course of at least 2 years at a higher education institution in their home countries with one of the subjects being German. Applicants are furthermore required to have a good command of German and must be under 30 years of age when submitting their application.

Further participation requirements:

- Europe: Applicants are welcome to participate if they study German language and literature. Students from France and the United Kingdom may also apply if they are studying subjects other than German.
- non-European countries: Students are invited to participate if they study German language and literature. Future teachers who have successfully completed a degree at a higher education institution (e.g. Bachelor of Arts) upon the start of the assistance year are favoured in the selection process.

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

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