

Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists • DAAD

Overview

Objective

This programme offers you the opportunity to network amongst colleagues and exchange experience in the framework of short-term research stays in Germany. The scholarships are funded by the German Federal Foreign Office.

Who can apply?

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

Note:

Former holders of fellowships from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation are requested to contact first the Humboldt Foundation.

What can be funded?

The programme provides funding for research stays at state or state-recognised institutions of higher education or non-university research institutes in Germany. A research stay can also take place at several host institutions.

Funding may only be claimed **once within three years**.

Lecture tours or visits to congresses are not funded.

Duration of the funding

- Funding is provided for one to three months. Please indicate in your application how long you wish to receive funding. The funding period will then be determined during the selection process by a selection committee. The committee takes into account your work plan.
- The grant is non-renewable.
- Please note in your time planning that the funded stays should be completed **by January 2025 at the latest**.

Value

- Monthly payments of
2,000 euros for assistant teachers, assistant professors and lecturers,
2,150 euros for professors
- [Travel allowance \[https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/im-ausland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_reisekostenzuschuesse_stipendiaten.pdf\]](https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/im-ausland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_reisekostenzuschuesse_stipendiaten.pdf), unless these expenses are covered by the home country or another source of funding
- In the case of a disability or chronic illness: subsidy for additional costs which result from the disability or chronic illness and are not covered by other funding providers: [Further information \[https://www.daad.de/en/the-daad/mobility-with-a-disability/\]](https://www.daad.de/en/the-daad/mobility-with-a-disability/)
- Green Mobility Top Up (Support for climate-friendly travel) or partial reimbursement of carbon offset payments for air travel

Please note: Health insurance coverage is mandatory in Germany. If you do not have a corresponding home health insurance, you will be insured by the DAAD. The costs will be deducted from the scholarship payment.

Selection

An independent selection committee reviews applications.

The most important selection criteria are:

- academic achievements and recent publications which must be documented in the curriculum vitae and a list of publications
- a convincing and well-planned research project

The selection committee also gives due consideration to equal opportunities; you can provide relevant information in the application form.

For more information on the selection procedure, go to [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/) / Section E.

Application requirements

What requirements must be met?

Please check if the following criteria are fulfilled:

- You must work at a university or institute of higher education in your home country.
- The research project must be coordinated with an academic host institute in Germany. You must be provided with a workplace.
- [list|Your PhD exam should be older than 4 years.

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- [list|Applicants from third countries or German applicants, who live in a foreign country, are asked to get in touch with the responsible branch office or section within the DAAD before they hand in an application to discuss possible special application requirements.

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Language skills

- A German language certificate is not required. Though we assume that the applicant has contacted the German host institute in advance to make sure that the applicant will be able to communicate with his/her colleagues, e. g. in English.

Application Procedure

Application deadline

Application deadlines are updated annually in the second quarter. In most cases, they are in the same period as the previous year. You can find the current dates here:

15.09.2023

Selection date in December 2023. Start of the funding from 15.02.2024

01.04.2024

Selection date in June 2024. Start of the funding from 15.08.2024.

Application documents

Documents to be uploaded to the DAAD portal:

- Online application form
- Full curriculum vitae in tabular form (max. 3 pages)
- List of academic publications (max. 3 pages)
- Comprehensive statement about research project (max. 10 pages). Please also read our [important information for scholarship applicants / section B, point 2 \[https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/\]](https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/).
- Time schedule and itinerary (host institutes / academic hosts) of the planned research stay (to be uploaded under 'time schedule' in the DAAD portal)
- Confirmation from the academic host in Germany; the confirmation must refer to your project and guarantee that the host institute in Germany will provide you with a workplace.

The application procedure occurs online through the DAAD portal.

Please note that the access to the application portal only appears while the current application period is running. After the application deadline has expired, the portal for this programme is not available until the next application period.

Please note

- Your application is only valid if you submit all the required documents to the DAAD portal on time.
- (If documents are to be submitted by post, please send them as soon as possible.)
- The DAAD portal closes at 24.00 hrs. (CET or CEST) on the last application day.
- Incomplete applications cannot be considered. You are responsible for ensuring that your applications are complete.
- The application documents remain with the DAAD. Your personal data is saved by the DAAD in accordance with the Federal Data Protection Act and with the EU Data Protection Regulation insofar as this data is needed to process the application.

Contact and Consulting

Information and advisory centres

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More detailed information

- DAAD website '[Important information for DAAD scholarship applicants](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/>]
- DAAD website section '[Doing a PhD and Research in Germany](https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/phd-studies-and-research/)' [<https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/phd-studies-and-research/>]
- Website '[Research in Germany](https://www.research-in-germany.org/en.html)' [<https://www.research-in-germany.org/en.html>]
- Website '[GERiT – German Research Institutions](https://www.gerit.org/en/)' [<https://www.gerit.org/en/>]

Further information

Further important information:

- The selection committee does not necessarily grant the whole submitted scholarship period and may also grant scholarships for shorter periods. The decision will be made by the selection committee on the basis of the submitted application documents and the available funds.
- The scholarship period should preferentially span full month periods (1st to 30th/31st). Applications for intra-month periods should be an exception.

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