

FAQ

Questions about application procedures:

I neither speak, write nor understand German. Am I eligible to apply?

Yes. N.B.: If you want to apply for Leuphana University Lüneburg, University of Osnabrück, University of Applied Sciences Osnabrück or Passau University, German language skills are particularly advantageous.

What score should I reach in my IELTS/ TOEFL test in order to be considered for the DAAD scholarship?

Every university has different language proficiency requirements. Please contact the universities of your choice or check out the university's homepages in order to get detailed information.

I have done my undergraduate studies in English. Do I still have to send a TOEFL/ IELTS certificate?

If English was medium of instruction at your university, please contact the University of your Choice. If they accept your level of English knowledge, you won't have to provide an English proficiency test, but hand in the university's agreement (e.g. by e-mail) instead.

I won't be able to submit my TOEFL/ IELTS until 31st July, because the test date is later. Am I still eligible to apply?

Yes, provided that you have already registered for the test. Please add a certificate of registration with the language test institution that shows the test date. The result has to be sent to public-policy@daad.de until 31st August, 2013.

Do I need to apply to selected universities for admission myself or will DAAD do this for me as per the preferences of universities that I shall give on the application form?

A separate application at the universities of your choice is not necessary. The DAAD staff will send your application to the selected universities. If you apply for Hertie School of Governance, please register yourself additionally online (Link: <http://www.hertie-school.org/degree-programmes-executive-education/mpp/tuition-and-financial-aid/daad-ppgg-programme/>)

I have graduated in 20xx. Am I eligible to apply?

Your last university degree shouldn't be older than six years.

I will receive my first undergraduate degree later than 31st July, 2013. Am I eligible to apply?

No. Since you won't graduate until 31st July, 2013, it won't be possible to admit you to the PPGG application round for 2014. Please apply next year.

I live in Germany since 2010. Am I eligible to apply?

In general, DAAD scholarships are not granted to applicants who already live in Germany for more than 15 months at the time of their application. This does not apply for foreigners who are already in Germany for academic reasons.

I am currently in my 1st semester at xx University in Germany. Can I join the PPGG-programme ex post?

No.

Can I get a scholarship in the PPGG Programme at any university in Germany?

No. At the moment the scholarship is only offered for the eight Master courses listed in our announcement.

I am not in my home country. Can I send my application directly to DAAD headquarter in Bonn?

Generally, all applications have to be sent to the DAAD branch offices or, if there is no DAAD representation, to the German embassy in the applicants' home country. Please use the following link: <https://www.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/15342-daad-country-specific-information-on-the-daad-scholarship-programmes-01-01/>

Will I have to pay tuition fees?

No. All scholarship holders in the PPGG Programme are exempted from tuition fees.

I want to bring my wife/husband and children to Germany. Can they join me?

Yes, after your language course, as the DAAD family support starts with the beginning of your studies at your host university.

Where does the language course take place?

The language institutes are generally not in the city of your host university. The length of the obligatory language course depends on the scholarship holders' German language proficiency. Generally, the courses start on April 1st and finish at the end of September.

If you have further questions concerning the DAAD scholarship for the PPGG Programme, please write an e-mail to public-policy@daad.de or ask the DAAD representative in your home country.

If you have academic questions concerning the Master courses, please contact the University of your choice. The contact addresses can be found at the "Announcement 2013".