

The DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) is one of the most important funding organisations worldwide for the international exchange of students and researchers.

Providing scholarships is the DAAD's "core business". In 2013 alone the DAAD has supported 30,000 German and international students, doctoral candidates and researchers with scholarships and individual programmes.

Research Grants – Short-Term Grants

→ DAAD research grants provide foreign doctoral candidates and young academics and scientists with an opportunity to carry out research or continue their education in Germany. There are funding programmes for various qualification phases and stages in a career. The grants also promote the exchange of experience and networking amongst colleagues.

The primary aim of this programme is to promote research projects within the context of doctoral programmes.

→ Who can apply?

- Excellently-qualified doctoral candidates and young academics and scientists who have completed a Master's degree or Diplom, or in exceptional cases a Bachelor's degree at the latest by the time they begin their grant-supported research, or those who have already completed a PhD (postdocs).
- Doctoral candidates who are already doing their doctorate at a German university cannot apply.

→ What can be funded?

- A research project or course of continuing education at a state or state-recognised institution of higher education or a non-university research institute in Germany, which is being carried out in coordination with an academic adviser in Germany.

→ Duration of the funding

- One month to a maximum of six months; the length of the grant is decided by a selection committee and depends on the project in question and the applicant's work schedule. The grant is non-renewable.

→ Value

- Depending on academic level, monthly payments of euros 850.- for graduates, euros 1,200.- for doctoral candidates and postdocs
Payments towards health, accident and personal liability insurance cover
Travel allowance, unless these expenses are covered by the home country or another source of funding

→ Application deadline

- **April 1st for research stays starting August 1st of the same year and January 15th of the following year; August 31st for research stays starting between 1st February and 15th July of the following year.**

Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists

➔ **DAAD grants provide foreign academics and scientists with an opportunity to carry out research and continue their education in Germany. There are funding programmes for various qualification phases and stages in a career.**

The aim of this particular programme is to support short-term research stays and thus promote the exchange of experience and networking amongst colleagues.

➔ 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.

➔ What can be funded?

- 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
- One to three months; the length of the grant is decided by a selection committee and depends on the project in question and the applicant's work schedule.
- The grant is non-renewable.

➔ Value

- Monthly payments of
- 2,000 euros for assistant teachers, assistant professors and lecturers,
- 2,150 euros for professors

➔ Application deadline

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