

University Winter Courses in Germany for Foreign Students and Graduates • DAAD

Overview

Objective

This study programme is designed for students and graduates and aims to help them improve their knowledge of German (general language) and their knowledge of German culture and country.

Please note: Due to the current pandemic situation, funding for onsite course formats is currently not offered. In 2022, therefore, only participation in online courses will be funded.

Who can apply?

Applications are open to students in Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes as well as doctoral candidates in any subject area; Bachelor students must have completed at least two academic years when the scholarship period starts. Students in the last year of a Bachelor programme are eligible to apply if they continue their studies in a Master's degree programme shortly after completing their BA. Please submit a letter of confirmation from your university as proof.]

What can be funded?

The programme funds attendance of language and area studies courses that are offered by state or state-recognised German universities and by affiliated language schools.

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The courses are exclusively taught in German.

Duration of the funding

- up to 6 weeks
- The grants are not extendable.
- The courses start in January and end in February at the latest.

Value

- Course Tuition fee
- The DAAD will transfer the tuition fee to the course organizer on your behalf.
- If applicable, a scholarship installment in the amount of 450 EUR* per month.

*depending on the possibility of standardized payment via an international bank account (Standard International, SEPA or Western Union); scholarship holders will receive corresponding information in the letter of award on whether a scholarship installment in the amount of 450 EUR per month will be paid.

Selection

A qualified selection committee will review all applications.

The most important selection criteria are:

- previous academic achievements
- convincing letter of motivation for choice of study programme and subject

Application requirements

What requirements must be met?

The grant holder must be at least 18 years old when he/she starts the online course.

Applicants must be registered at a university of one of the programme-related countries (except Germany) at the time of application as well as during the online course.

Each scholarship holder will be considered once in three consecutive years, for a DAAD University Winter or Summer Course Grant.

Language skills

- Applicants must be able to follow lectures in German and collaborate in German language teams.
- Applicants must generally prove the minimum language level of B1.
- German language skills must be proven at the time of application. As proof, the result of the online language test indicated below will be accepted, exclusively. Please note that other test formats will not be accepted. Applicants have access to the online test between July 19, 2021 and August 31, 2021 (CET - Central European Time) under the following link:
 - [Click here to access the online language test \[https://www.onset.de/onset/teilnehmer/cTeilnehmerPortalShowEditDaadNeu.do?do=en\]](https://www.onset.de/onset/teilnehmer/cTeilnehmerPortalShowEditDaadNeu.do?do=en). Please have your DAAD personal identification number (PKZ) ready.
 - Your DAAD-PKZ is an 8-digit number beginning with a 9. You will receive this personal identification number when you submit your application via the DAAD portal.
 - Therefore, please submit your application via the DAAD Portal first. Then take the online language test by August 31 (CET - Central European Time) at the latest.
 - Please note that you can take the online language test only once.
 - Please note also that it is NOT necessary to upload the language test results in the DAAD portal. The test results will be communicated automatically to the DAAD department in charge.
 - The result of the language test only entitles you to apply for a scholarship within the DAAD Winter Course Programme.
 - [Practical guidance for the language test \[https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/210719_onset_anleitung_en_daad.pdf\]](https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/210719_onset_anleitung_en_daad.pdf)

Application Procedure

Application documents

Certificates, proof of credits, certifications and translations may be submitted in non-authenticated form. The DAAD Head Office in Bonn reserves the right to request authenticated copies of the submitted documents at any time during the application procedure.

Documents to be uploaded to the DAAD Portal

- Online application form
- Full curriculum vitae in tabular form (in German)
- Letter of motivation (in German)
- For Bachelor students: Copy of school leaving certificate with grades (with German or English translation)

- For Master students: Copy of the Bachelor's degree certificate (with German or English translation)
- Proof of credits for all university examinations (with final grades) incl. explanation of grading systems (with German or English translation)
- Other documents you think might be of relevance to your application (e.g. proof of placements, certificates of employment)

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Please submit your application online through the DAAD Portal. After having submitted your application via the DAAD portal, you can take the required language test.

##PAPIEREXEMPLAR##

Application deadline

August 31 of each year, 23:59 CET (Central European Time).

Please note

In the application form, applicants are asked to specify three courses they wish to take. Applicants are requested to fill in all spaces and indicate three different course locations. The DAAD will do its best to consider the applicants' preferences when the final decision about assigning course places is taken.

Please note: For each course, the number of available places is limited. Thus the DAAD reserves the right to assign alternative options if an applicant's preferences cannot be met.

After receipt By submitting your application documents in the DAAD portal, your course preferences are set. Further re-prioritization will not be accepted.

Only complete applications that are submitted in time will be considered.

Ownership of all submitted documents including appendices, samples, etc. shall pass to the DAAD.

Original documents are not returned to applicants. Data relating to applicants 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

More detailed information

- [Click here \[https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_hochschulwinterkurse_2022_kursangebote.pdf\]](https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_hochschulwinterkurse_2022_kursangebote.pdf) to find out about course providers and programmes.

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