Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists • DAAD

Overview

Objective
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.

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

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
• Travel allowance [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/]
• Other payments cannot be made.

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

Application requirements

What requirements must be met?

• Applicants must work at a university or institute of higher education in their home country.
• The research project must be coordinated with an academic host institute in Germany. You must be provided with a workplace.

Application Procedure

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.
• Time schedule and itinerary (host institutes / academic hosts) of the planned research stay
• Letter from host confirming academic cooperation, which refers to your proposal and guarantees that a workplace will be provided

The application procedure occurs online through the DAAD portal.

The access to the DAAD portal opens about 6 weeks before the application deadline.

To apply, please select the call for applications for this programme in the scholarship database (www.funding-guide.de). From here, you can enter the portal by clicking the tab "Submitting an application".

Application deadline

Application deadlines are updated at least once a year. In most cases, they are in the same period as the previous year. You can find the current dates here:

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.
• Late or 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

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

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