

University Summer Courses offered in Germany for Foreign Students and Graduates

Objective

- ≡ These grants are awarded to enable students and graduates to attend German language and area studies courses plus special language/terminology courses that are offered by state (public) or state-recognised German higher education institutions and by affiliated language schools (list of courses: www.daad.de/deutschland/deutsch-lernen/sommerkurse/00490.de.html).

Term

- ≡ The grants run for at least 18 days of course with a minimum of 25 hours of teaching per week. Courses are taught in German (language of instruction) and are held in the summer months (from May at the earliest) during the recess period at German universities.
- ≡ The grants cannot be extended.

Value

- ≡ The DAAD awards a part-cost grant of 650,- euros, a flat-rate course fee allowance of 200,- euros, plus possibly a regionally-graduated flat-rate travel allowance based on country of origin (with the exception of Western Europe, see: www.daad.de/rkp-hsk_isk). In contrast to the above sum, participants from least developed countries as defined by the so-called "DAC List" (1) receive a flat-rate course fee allowance of 375,- euros.

(1) Currently, these countries are: Afghanistan, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Kiribati, Laos, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Rwanda, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Tuvalu, Uganda, Vanuatu, Yemen, Zambia
- ≡ When completing the application form, applicants must specify which courses they wish to take. As far as possible, the DAAD will take these preferences into consideration when finally placing the grant holders; however, since the available places are limited, the DAAD reserves the right to choose an alternative course location.
- ≡ Accommodation is generally booked via the course organiser.

Application Requirements

- ≡ Applications are open to students in Bachelor's and Master's programmes of all subject areas who will have completed at least two academic years of studies at the time of starting their funded stay.
- ≡ Students in Bachelor's programmes are entitled to apply if a Master's programme will follow directly after the Bachelor's degree. Please include the letter of confirmation by the higher education institution as proof.
- ≡ Neither graduates holding a Master's degree nor PhD students are eligible for application to this programme.
- ≡ At the time of starting the funded stay, applicants must be registered or matriculated at a university in their home country or in their country of permanent residence (but not Germany).
- ≡ Applicants must present proof of good German language skills and must be able to follow lectures and presentations and to collaborate in teams. The German required language skills must at least be equivalent to level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).
- ≡ The minimum age at the time of starting the funded stay is 18 years.

DAAD

- ≡ An applicant may only be considered once for a DAAD Intensive Language Course or University Summer Course Grant in any three consecutive years.
- ≡ Alternative requirements may apply for some few countries as specified in the "Country Information" section.
- ≡ Additional information on the application process is available on the DAAD homepage: <http://www.daad.de/deutschland/download/03118.de.html> (further downloadable forms - FAQs for applicants and FAQs for scholarship holders)

Application Papers

- ≡ Information on the application papers to be submitted is included on the application form ("Antrag auf ein Hochschulsommerkursstipendium"/Application for a summer course scholarship – in German only), which can be obtained on the Internet (www.daad.de/en/form) or from the DAAD regional offices, from DAAD- or IC-Lektors, from the diplomatic and consular representations of the Federal Republic of Germany and from DAAD partner organisations.
- ≡ Consideration can only be given to applications if they are received on time and are complete, and if they provide details on all the examinations taken and document these appropriately.
- ≡ Please submit the grant application in a single copy.
- ≡ Your application papers including all the attachments, samples, etc. become the property of the DAAD without claim to payment or compensation. No materials are returned.

Country Information, Dates and Deadlines, Application Address and Advice

- ≡ Applicants must not send their application direct to the DAAD in Bonn.
- ≡ Applications must be sent to DAAD in Bonn, Section 513 via a DAAD Regional Office, or via a DAAD-(IC-)Lektor, or via a Consulate-General or Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, or via a DAAD partner organisation.
- ≡ Applications must be received by the above offices in such good time that they can reach the DAAD, Section 513 at the latest by the following date:

31 January.

- ≡ Please go to www.daad.de/stipendien on the DAAD homepage to find further information for applicants from your home country. This information includes, inter alia, details on the offices to which applications are to be submitted.
- ≡ The above-mentioned website also contains the addresses of institutions that offer further information and advice in your home country.
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