Study and Research in Germany

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What is the DAAD?

- German national agency for international academic cooperation and exchange
  - Founded in 1925 as a way of connecting Germany to the world

- Facts & Figures:
  - 71 Regional Offices and Information Centers worldwide
  - Over 130,000 people supported by DAAD-administered programs annually
What does DAAD do?

- DAAD provides:
  - Scholarships & grants (for all disciplines, at all stages)
  - Information and counseling about studying & research in Germany
  - Support for internationalization of German universities
  - The study of German language and culture abroad
Find Research Ambassadors in the US and Canada:

Find Young Ambassadors in the US and Canada:
How to Select the Right Program or School

Study in Germany
Land of Ideas

www.study-in.de  www.higher-education-compass.de
Studying in Germany: What does it cost?

- **Tuition-free programs at public universities**
- **Semester service fee**
  (about €150-300/semester)

*For most public universities; since 2017 €1500 tuition fees for international students in BW*
Studying/Living in Germany: What does it cost?

- Tuition-free programs at public universities*
- Semester fee: about €150-300/semester – often includes public transportation pass
- Average costs of living €700-1000/month
- Student discounts:
  - Health care
  - University cafeteria
  - Museums, theatre, sights

Least expensive cities:

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<th>1. Freiberg</th>
<th>665,72 €</th>
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<td>2. Zwickau</td>
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<td>3. Ilmenau</td>
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<td>4. Erfurt</td>
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Most expensive cities:

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<th>1. Sigmaringen</th>
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<td>5. Neu-Ulm</td>
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*Baden-Württemberg charges 1,500 € for international students (EU citizens exempt).
Why Germany?
Because Germany...

- has high academic and living standards at a reasonable cost
- offers an outstanding research infrastructure
- is home to more than 300,000 international university students
- Germany offers 1900+ International Programs
- German degrees internationally recognized
German Research

Outstanding Research Institutes *outside universities*

- Max Planck Institutes
- Helmholtz Research Centers
- Fraunhofer Institutes
Because Germany...

- is a convenient base from which to explore Europe
- provides a chance to learn German, Europe’s most-spoken language
- enables access to (a) vibrant culture(s)
DAAD Scholarships

- Funding for study abroad, internships or senior thesis research
- Open to students in all fields
- Previous knowledge of German not required, but advantageous
- Monthly stipend or lump sum
- Health Insurance
- Some travel reimbursement
Opportunities for Study in Germany:
University Summer Course Grant

www.daad.org/en/find-funding/undergraduate-opportunities/university-summer-course-grant/

For juniors, seniors and grad students
• Summer courses taught in German at German Universities
• 3 to 4 weeks
• 1 year/2 semesters minimum language requirement (A1)
• Focus on literary, cultural, political and economic aspects
• €950 scholarship, health insurance, travel allowance

DAAD Summer Course Grant eligible
Deadline: early December
Study Scholarship for Graduates

https://www.daad.org/gradstudy

- Scholarship to support pursuit of a Master’s degree at a German university (up to two years)
- German language ability should be commensurate with needs
- Final-year undergrads may apply
- 60 awarded annually
- €850/month; health and liability insurance; travel stipend

Deadline: early November
Opportunities for Research and Internships
Research Grants

www.daad.org/page/research-grant

- For graduate students, PhD candidates or postdocs with a well-defined research project
- Short term (1-6 months) and Long term (7-10 months; only grad option)
- For PhD candidates and postdocs, must have well-defined research project
- Invitation by host institution essential
- Monthly support of €850 - 1,200; travel stipend; health & liability insurance

Deadlines: May 15 (short term only), November 2019 (short and long term)
German Studies Research Grant – Undergrad & Master’s, PhD Level


Program to encourage research into cultural, political, historical, economic and social aspects of modern and contemporary German affairs from an inter- and multidisciplinary perspective

Requirements

- Open to third or fourth year undergrads majoring or minoring in German Studies
- Must be nominated by Department Chair & have completed four semesters of university level German (or equivalent) and three courses in German Studies (or with significant German content) at time of nomination
- Grant provides $2,000 – 3,000 to offset living / travel costs in Germany

November 1
May 1
RISE Germany
(Research Internships in Science and Engineering)

• **For sophomores and juniors** (at time of application)
• Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Engineering, Physics
• **NEW:** Computer Science
• 10-12 weeks in summer
• Undergrads work directly with German doctoral students at top labs
• No German required, but opportunity to participate in 2-week intensive language course before starting internship
• € 750 per month, international travel subsidy & health insurance; housing assistance provided; paid-for three-day RISE meeting in Germany
• 2017: ~1,700 applications, 306 interns placed

**Deadline: December 15**
RISE professional

- For Masters & PhD students in Biology, Chemistry, Engineering, Geology, Computer Science and Physics
- Work place internships of up to 3 months in leading German companies
- German requirements depend on the nature of the internship
- €750-1000 monthly stipend, international & domestic travel subsidy, health insurance
- Paid-for three-day RISE meeting in Germany
- Opportunity to participate in 2-week intensive language course before starting the internship

Deadline: December 15
Your Application to DAAD – Tips to Success

- Express why your activities in Germany are critical to your academic or professional goals
- Show your passion for the topic/demonstrate research experience
- Submit quality letter of recommendation
- Make sure your application is on time and complete
- RISE: Apply to 3 internships to maximize your chances
- Check websites for application procedure and FAQs
Resources

- Visit our website for the USA: www.daad.org

- Other funding resources:
  
  www.funding-guide.de

  www.studyabroadfunding.org

  www.higher-education-compass.de

- General information about study and research in Germany

  www.study-in.de

  www.research-in-germany.org
Online Resources for Study and Research in Germany

- Visit DAAD North America and DAAD Germany website:
  www.daad.org; www.daad.de
- General information about study and research in Germany
  www.study-in.de/en
  www.research-in-germany.de
  www.internationale-studierende.de
- Funding resources: www.funding-guide.de
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