

University Summer Courses offered in Germany for Foreign Students and Graduates • DAAD

Overview

Objective

The aim of this programme is to deepen the knowledge of the German language, both in general language and technical language and to augment the knowledge of the regional studies.

Who can apply?

- Applications are open to students and graduates in any subject area.
- Undergraduate students (e.g. Bachelor's) must have completed at least two academic years of university study **by the time the funding period begins**.
Students who are in their final year of higher education at the time of application are only eligible to apply if they intend to undertake postgraduate studies immediately after graduating.

What can be funded?

- Funding is provided for participation in language and cultural studies courses as well as technical language courses based on the course offerings listed below. The specific course offerings, including dates, language levels, course focus areas, etc., can be found here: [Course list \(Excel\) \[http://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/word-excel-nicht-barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_hsk_kursanbieterliste.xlsx\]](http://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/word-excel-nicht-barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_hsk_kursanbieterliste.xlsx).
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- The courses are taught exclusively in German.
- Participation takes place exclusively in presence. Attendance in person is mandatory. Remote participation is not possible.

Duration of the funding

- The courses have a duration of four weeks (max. 5 days/week) with at least 25 teaching hours per week each.
- The grants are not extendable.
- The courses take place between the months of June and September.

Value

The scholarship includes:

- coverage of the costs for the language course
- provision of accommodation by the course provider for the duration of the course (accommodation in a single room, e.g. student dormitory, shared apartment or private household)
- a one-time allowance of 475 EUR
- Payment of a country-specific travel allowance. You can find the currently valid subsidies [here \[https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/im-ausland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_reisekostenzuschuesse_stipendiaten.pdf\]](https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/im-ausland-studieren-forschen-lehren/daad_reisekostenzuschuesse_stipendiaten.pdf).
- Health, accident and personal liability insurance benefits

Please note:

The one-time allowance, as well as any applicable travel allowance, will not be transferred abroad. The DAAD will transfer the funds to the course provider, who will disburse the amount in cash to the scholarship holders on site.

Selection

- A selection committee will review all applications
- Key selection criteria are:
 - Previous academic achievements
 - Convincing letter of motivation for choice of study programme and future academic project

Further information

- For more general information on language certificates, please visit the DAAD website at: → <https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/plan-your-studies/the-german-language/> [<https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/plan-your-studies/the-german-language/>].
- Answers to frequently asked questions regarding the University Summer Courses programme can be found here: [FAQs \[https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/hsk_hwk_faq.pdf\]](https://static.daad.de/media/daad_de/pdfs_nicht_barrierefrei/in-deutschland-studieren-forschen-lehren/hsk_hwk_faq.pdf) (in German).

Application requirements

What requirements must be met?

- Funding from the programme can only be claimed once.
- The grant holder must be at least 18 years old when starting the language course.
- Applicants must be enrolled at a university in one of the programme-related countries (except Germany) both at the time of application and throughout the entire scholarship period. An application is not possible if you are simultaneously or at a different time enrolled at a German university, for example as part of a double or joint degree programme with German participation.
- Applicants in the final year of an undergraduate degree must enclose a certificate from their university confirming their intention to undertake a postgraduate programme (e.g. a Master's degree). If this cannot be provided, the intention to undertake a postgraduate programme must be clearly stated in the application documents (e.g. the personal statement).
- Applicants commit themselves to deal sensitively with the issue of sustainability.
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Language skills

- Applicants must be able to follow lectures in German and participate in group work. German language skills must be proven at the time of application.
- Proof of the required German language proficiency must be provided with the following language certificates: onSET-Deutsch, TestDaF, Goethe Institut Zertifikat, DSD, DSH, telc Deutsch, ÖSD-Zertifikat. For participation in subject-specific language courses, the Abitur is also accepted as proof of language proficiency.
- The language certificate cannot be older than one year at the time of application (this also applies to DSH). Language certificates from B2 or TDN3 in all examination parts of the exam may be up to two years old.
- Applicants must provide proof of a minimum language level of A2.
- Applicants studying German as main subject have to proof that they have at least level B1.

Application Procedure

Application deadline

30 October of each year, 23:59 (Central European Time).

Applications are possible from 01 September each year

Application documents

Application documents can be submitted in uncertified form. The DAAD reserves the right to request additional certified copies of the documents.

Please ensure that you have uploaded all the required documents to the DAAD portal by the application deadline, as incomplete applications cannot be considered in the further selection process.

The following documents must be submitted for a **complete** application:

- Online application form
- Complete curriculum vitae in tabular form (in German)
- Letter of motivation (in German)
- Transcripts of all university examinations taken in the last two consecutive years, including individual grades, both in the original and in a German or English translation.
If, at the time of application, no transcript of records for the past two years is available due to a study period of less than two years, proof of academic achievements from the current period of study **and** the school-leaving certificate including individual grades both in the original and in a German or English translation must be submitted.
- For graduate students (e.g. Master's): last university degree certificate with final grade/s both in the original and in a German or English translation.
- Language certificates (with German or English translation, if applicable)
- Other documents that you consider important for your application, if necessary with German or English translation (e.g. proof of internships, certificates of employment).

Please note

- In the application form, applicants are asked to specify **three courses** they wish to take. Applicants are requested to fill in all boxes and indicate three different course locations. Your course preferences will be considered by the DAAD in the final placement, if possible. **Important:** The capacities for each course are limited. Therefore, the DAAD reserves the right to assign applicants to a different course than one of the preferred ones.
- Once your application has been received, it is no longer possible to change your course preferences or switch courses.
- Your application is only valid if you submit all the required documents to the DAAD portal by the application deadline.
- The DAAD portal closes at 24.00 hrs. (CET or CEST) on the last application day. If possible, please do not send your application on the final date in case technical problems occur.
- 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

Information and advisory centres

DAAD Information Centre Taipei

DAAD German Cultural Centre

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More detailed information

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