

Information on Doctoral and Scholarship Programs

General Information on Doctoral Scholarship Programs

➤ **Stipendium Plus**

Doctoral funding from the organizations for the promotion of young talent

German Academic Scholarship Foundation

Application possible anytime throughout the year

FAQ: <https://www.studienstiftung.de/en/doctoral-scholarships/doctoral-scholarships/frequently-asked-questions>

Contact: info@studienstiftung.de

Politically oriented foundations

Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation

Available in German only

Application possible anytime throughout the year via [online-platform](#)

Contact: stipendien@fes.de

Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom

Deadlines: 30 April and 31 October each year

FAQ: <https://www.freiheit.org/faq>

Contact: stipendien-bewerbung@freiheit.org

Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung

Deadlines: 15 January and 15 July each year

Contact: <https://www.hss.de/en/contact/>

Heinrich-Böll-Foundation

Deadlines: 1 March and 1 September each year

Fact sheet: https://www.boell.de/sites/default/files/2025-01/a2-1b-info_application_prom_jan_2025_en.pdf

Contact: Adriell Kopp | studienwerk@boell.de

Status: April 2025

Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation

Available in German only

Deadlines: 15 January and 15 July each year

Contact: BK-PF@kas.de

Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation

Deadlines: 1 April and 1 October each year

Contact: studienwerk@rosalux.org

Religious oriented foundations

Avicenna- Foundation

Deadlines: 1 April and 1 October each year

Contact: info@avicenna-studienwerk.de

Cusanuswerk

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Deadlines: 1 June and 1 November each year

Fact sheet:

https://www.cusanuswerk.de/fileadmin/user_upload/Bewerbung/Merkblatt_klassische_Promotionsfoerderung_241104.pdf

Contact: Auswahl-Prom@cusanuswerk.de

Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich Foundation

Available in German only

Deadlines: 31 March and 30 September each year

Contact: Dr. David Kowalski | kowalski@eles-studienwerk.de and
Dr. Maria Ulatowski | ulatowski@eles-studienwerk.de

Evangelisches Studienwerk Villigst

Deadlines: 1 June and 1 December each year

FAQ: <https://www.evstudienwerk.de/english/scholarship-for-doctoral-students-faq/>

Contact: promotion@villigst.de

Status: April 2025

Trade union-oriented foundation

Hans-Böckler-Foundation

Deadlines: 28 February and 30 July each year

Contact: bewerbung@boeckler.de

Entrepreneurially oriented foundation

The Germany Economy Foundation

Available in German only

Application deadlines vary, usually two application phases per year
Please refer to the website for more information

Contact: studienfoerderwerk@sdw.org

Funding for international doctoral researchers

DAAD: German Academic Exchange Service

Application deadlines vary, usually two application phases per year
Please refer to the [website](#) for more information

FAQ: FAQ: <https://www.daad.de/en/studying-in-germany/scholarships/information-for-scholarship-applicants/>

Contact: <https://www.daad.de/en/studying-in-germany/advisory-service/contact/>