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University Winter Courses in Germany for Foreign Students and Graduates • DAAD

Overview

This study programme is geared towards students and graduates from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Columbia, Namibia, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru, Zimbabwe, South Africa and Uruguay and aims to help them improve their knowledge of German (general language, special language) and their cultural knowledge of the country.

Who can apply?

- Citizens of one of the above countries who are registered at a university in one of these countries.
- Applications are open to students in Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes as well
 as doctoral candidates in any subject area; Bachelor students must have completed at
 least two academic years at the start of the scholarship period.
- Students in the last year of a Bachelor programme are eligible to apply if they intend to start a Master's degree programme shortly after completing their BA. Please submit a letter of confirmation from the university as proof.

What can be funded?

- The programme funds attendance of language and area studies courses that are offered by state or state-recognised German universities and by affiliated language schools.
- You can find out about course providers and course programmes on the DAAD website under: www.daad.de/hwk-kursliste [https://www.daad.de/hwk-kursliste]
- The courses are taught in German.
- Course fees and accommodation expenses are usually deducted directly from scholarship payments by the language course provider so that the grant holder is paid only the remaining amount to which he/she may still be entitled in Germany.

Duration of the funding

- 6 weeks
- The grants are non-renewable.
- The courses are offered in January / February.

Value

- One-off scholarship payment of € 1,725.-
- Payment of a country-specific travel allowance, see www.daad.de/rkp-hsk_hwk_isk [https://www.daad.de/rkp-hsk_hwk_isk] (overview of travel allowances for 2017 will be published from November 2016)
- Payments towards health, accident and personal liability insurance cover

Selection

- A selection committee reviews applications.
- The most important selection criteria are:
 - previous academic achievements
 - convincing arguments for choice of study programme and subject
 - knowledge of German

Further information

- You can find out about course providers and course programmes on the DAAD website under: www.daad.de/hwk-kursliste [https://www.daad.de/hwk-kursliste]
- You will find more information about language tests on the DAAD website under: Informationen zu Sprachnachweisen [https://www.daad.de/deutschland/nachdeutschland/voraussetzungen/de/6221-deutschesprache]

Application requirements

What requirements must be met?

- Applicants must have completed at least two years of study at the time of starting their funded stay.
- The grant holder must be at least 18 years old when he/she starts the funded stay.
- Applicants must be citizens of one of the above countries and be permanently registered

at a university in one of these countries.

 An applicant may only be considered once in any three consecutive years for a DAAD University Winter Course Grant.

Language skills

Applicants must be able to follow lectures and collaborate in teams. They must have had at least two years of German lessons by the time they start their grant-supported studies according to level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

Application Procedure

The application procedure occurs online through the DAAD Portal.

Application documents

Certificates, proof of credits, certifications and translations may be submitted in noncertified form. The DAAD Head Office in Bonn reserves the right to also request certified copies of the submitted documents.

1. Documents to be uploaded to the DAAD Portal

- Online application form
- Full curriculum vitae in tabular form (in German)
- Comprehensive statement of purpose by the applicant (letter of motivation, in German)
- Copy of university degree certificate(s) with final grade(s), if available (with German or English translation)
- Proof of credits for all university examinations (with final grades) incl. explanation of grading systems (with German or English translation)
- Language certificate (if applicable with German or English translation)
- The language certificates B1 or TestDaF to TDN3 should be no more than one year old in all examined sections. Language certificates from B2 or TDN4 may be older in all examined sections.
- Other documents you think might be of relevance to your application (e.g. proof of placements, certificates of employment)

2. To be submitted by post

The "Application summary", which is generated in the portal in PDF format and which can be printed out after the online application procedure is completed; please send 2 copy/copies to the application address

Application deadline

15 August each year

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Application location

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Please note

- In the application form, applicants are asked to specify the courses they wish to take.
 Applicants should fill in all spaces and enter different course locations. The DAAD does its
 best to consider these preferences when it makes a final decision about allocating places.
 Because there is only a limited number of available places, however, the DAAD reserves
 the right to allocate an alternative course. The course choices indicated in the application
 form are binding. It is not possible to change or discontinue a course.
- Only applications that have been submitted on time and are complete can be considered.
- Ownership of the application documents including all appendices, samples, etc. shall pass to the DAAD without claim to payment. Documents are not returned to applicants.

Contact and Consulting

Information and advisory centres

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More detailed information

- Answers on questions about the programme University Winter Courses you will find here [https://www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/stipendien/formulare/faq-hsk isk hwk.pdf]
- checklist [/bundles/daadadminlbh/uploads/live/3501.pdf]