

FAQs

DAAD scholarships for

special dedication to the university and final thesis grants

General Information

Who can apply?

All international students enrolled at the Ohm, who gained their HZB outside the German education system and have come to Germany for the purpose of pursuing higher education. Exchange students, who are enrolled at the Ohm for only one or two semesters are not eligible for the scholarship or grant.

What does ‘Bildungsausländer’ mean?

‘Bildungsausländerinnen und Bildungsausländer’ - international students who earned their university entrance qualification (HZB) abroad - including German schools abroad (‘Deutsche Schulen im Ausland’) - or who completed their university entrance qualification at a German ‘Studienkolleg’ through supplemental coursework to their secondary school qualification completed abroad

Can international students who are also German citizens apply?

No.

Can students apply for both a scholarship and a final thesis grant?

Yes. If you fulfil the eligibility requirements for both awards, you may apply for both. However, you can only receive one award.

Can I apply for an award, if I have already received a DAAD scholarship or grant in the past?

Yes.

Can students who receive an award still have a part-time job?

Generally, yes. However, if the sum of the grant and gross additional monthly income exceeds 1.595 euros, the scholarship amount for the respective month(s) shall be reduced by the difference.

Example: If student XY earns 1200 euros (gross monthly) and receives an award in the amount of 500 euros, the scholarship will be reduced by 105 euros, which means the student will receive an award of 395 euros/month.

What are excellent (‘very good’ to ‘good’) academic achievements?

A grade point average between 1.0 and 2.5. If your grade point average does not fall in this range (up to 2.9), you can still apply for a DAAD scholarship or grant, because your activities and/or your financial need or situation are factors in selecting recipients.

DAAD scholarship for special dedication to the university

What counts as ‘special dedication to the university’?

- Above-average engagement in voluntary activities,
- where you are either not paid or receive minimal compensation for the activities,
- for at least one semester.

These activities should take place at the Ohm, for example:

- as a buddy for students,
- as a student guide for the Student Counseling Service,
- active in the ‘Fachschaft’ or other activities within the university.

DAAD final thesis grant

The final thesis grant is intended to provide financial support to international students in the final phase of their programme, allowing them to concentrate on successfully completing their degree on time. Priority is given to students who are experiencing financial hardship due to circumstances beyond their control.