

DAAD STIBET Graduation Scholarship

TU Dortmund University

FAQs

Do you have questions about the DAAD Graduation Scholarship for students from developing countries (a scholarship for students writing their PhD, bachelor or master's thesis)?

Here you will find answers to the most commonly asked questions:

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1. General Information

The International Office at TU Dortmund University accepts applications for this scholarship program several times a year. These scholarships are in place to help PhD, bachelor and masters students who are nearly finished with their degrees. The financial support is intended for students who are in the midst of or about to begin writing their final thesis.

2. Who is eligible to apply for a course of study completion scholarship?

Those who wish to apply for a course of study completion scholarship need to meet the following criteria:

- Student Status: enrolled and registered at TU Dortmund University, as a bachelor, master or PhD student
- Immigrant status: applications must have completed their university qualifications in a foreign country
- Good academic standing: it is expected that applicants will complete their degree with the foreseeable future (one-year after scholarship) and their thesis should be officially registered no later than the application deadline date.
- Social situation: applicants should genuinely need financial support

Please note: Double-funding is prohibited, i.e. multiple financing for the same purpose is forbidden.

3. What forms and/or documents are needed for my application?

In order to be eligible for a course of study completion scholarship you are required to submit the below listed forms/documents within the given application period:

- Completed application form
- Official confirmation of thesis registration (this form is included in application and should be filled out by the examination office)
- Current enrollment certificate from TU Dortmund University
- Recent summary of grades
- Resume/CV

4. When is the application deadline?

Normally, we accept and process applications four times a year. During these periods you are able to apply, for more information about the current statuses, please contact the International Office or check online.

5. What criteria are used to decide who receives a scholarship? What is the application procedure?

The fundamental criteria for this scholarship program is first and foremost the student's **academic performance**.

If you apply within with in the appropriate application period (current application information can be found online) we will review if the applicant criteria have been met and all the necessary materials have been included. As soon as your application has been thoroughly reviewed one of two things will follow:

- a) You will be invited for an interview (please read question 6 for more information).
- b) Your scholarship request will be declined.

6. Are there any special criteria I should be aware of for my interview?

An interview is a mandatory portion of the application process. The scholarship committee is composed of staff members from the International Office, a TU Dortmund University professor and one representative from ASTA, the student association.

During the interview you will have about five minutes to explain your academic and financial situation. After hearing your statement the committee will then have the opportunity to ask you questions. The committee will receive your application in advance and will base their questions on your given statement as well as your application materials.

Important: In order for the scholarship committee to get a true understanding of your financial situation we ask that you, please bring bank statements from the last three months. In the case you have more than one account you should be able to show bank statements for all of them.

7. How much financial support do grantees receive?

The scholarship sum is set by the DAAD. Grantees receive a minimum of 250 Euros a month. The duration of scholarship funding can range from one to three months. A scholarship extension is generally possible; however applicants are required to reapply.

Please Note: This scholarship program is organized and carried out by the DAAD with funds from the Federal Foreign Office of Germany (Auswärtiges Amt).