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How to apply with KAAD?

Information leaflet for applicants from Asian
Countries

Study Grant

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In general

Eligibility

Grants are open to young academics in different disciplines.

Academic Qualifications

1. For *master's degree* programs
 - a) a Bachelor's degree (normally from a four-year-program) or its equivalent from an institution of recognised standing;
 - b) a significant undergraduate cumulative grade of above average.
2. For *doctoral degree* programs
 - a) a master's degree or its equivalent in a subject related to the proposed research topic;
 - b) both undergraduate and graduate grades significantly above average;
 - c) a detailed outline of the intended dissertation research (for more information please be referred to "Application Requirements", 6).
3. Institutional endorsement from the college or university.
4. Preferably (but not compulsory), with knowledge of German equivalent to level B2 of the Goethe-Institute, with ability to improve it within a reasonable period of time.

Personal Qualifications

1. Roman catholics, or else have an affiliation with the Catholic Church of their home country (a reference is requested).
2. Has the ability and willingness to take advantage of the special opportunities offered by foreign study and to cope with the resulting physical and mental stress.
3. Of good moral character and personal integrity.

In detail: the study grant

The study grant is good for those who wish to finish masteral or doctoral degree at a German university. It covers one-year fellowship, renewable yearly for a maximum of 3 years.

Basic requirement:

At the time of contact with KAAD, a concrete study programme at a German university already has to be identified. It must be sure that the applicant fulfils the entrance qualifications of the intended programme.

How to identify the right programme?

Please be referred to the following websites: www.daad.de/dany; www.campus-germany.de

A p p l i c a t i o n P r o c e d u r e

1. Interested applicants should contact KAAD in Bonn by e-mail. (Download the questionnaire: www.kaad.de.) Their letter should tell if they meet the requirements for KAAD-scholarship according to the mentioned academic and personal qualifications.
2. After that they may get the application forms.
3. The applicants should complete the forms and send them with all additional required documents to the Asia Department of KAAD. They have to reach KAAD Bonn by January 15th and June 30th of each year. KAAD Bonn shall be responsible for the final selection of qualified applicants.
Only complete application forms will be entertained by KAAD.

S e r v i c e C l a u s e

KAAD supports young academics mainly to assist the country, specifically the universities, in the efforts to improve education and the quality of life. It is, therefore, part of the agreement that the grantee returns to the home country and renders service, preferable to the endorsing institution, according to its own guidelines.

Should the grantee be unable to return to the home country after the completion of scholarship, the cost of the grant and any additional aid must be repaid in full to KAAD.

Application Requirements

1. One copy of the application form, with two passport size pictures.
2. Motivation letter (why are you applying with KAAD as a scholarship program of the German Catholic Church? Why are you applying for a study project in Germany?)
3. Two letters of recommendation from professors in the intended field of study. These should comment on the planned study project and the academic qualification of the individual.
4. *For masteral degree studies:* Confirmation letter from a German university that the applicant is accepted for the intended programme.
5. Authenticated copy of the transcript of records (college and beyond).
6. Authenticated copies of the high school, college and masters diplomas.
7. Institutional endorsement, indicating the service clause.
8. Copy of the income tax-return.
9. Future career perspective.

Dr. Heinrich Geiger, November 2011