

Who can apply for the Deutschlandstipendium? / Application for further funding

The Deutschlandstipendium supports students of all nationalities whose previous careers promise outstanding academic achievements. In addition to special successes at school and/or university, the eligibility criteria also include social commitment. Overcoming special biographical hurdles resulting from family or cultural background is also taken into account.

Prospective students with an excellent average grade must have been accepted to study at Rhine-Waal University, but do not necessarily have to be enrolled yet (in this case, the acceptance letter needs to be attached to the application and the proof of enrollment must be handed in later).

Comparable foreign degrees which also qualify to study at a German university, will also be accepted. The GPA will be transferred to the German grading system. If you already received your uni-assist evaluation form, please attach it to the application.

Already enrolled Students who are within the standard period of study* and have achieved outstanding results must have earned at least 20 ECTS per semester.

Scholarship holders who received funding for the first time in the first or second semester have to submit a new application (not an application for further funding).

Scholarship holders from the fourth semester can submit a simplified application for further funding. They must have maintained or improved their level of performance. The performance level is usually not maintained if the grade point average (HIS) deteriorates by 0.5 grade points compared to the previous funding year. In the event of repeated grade deterioration, the deviation, based on the initial application, may not total more than 0.8 grade points.

**Changes in the standard period of study due to the Corona Pandemic.*

The general extension of the standard duration of study by one semester (refer to Section 10 (1) sent. 1, Coronavirus Epidemic Ordinance for Universities) also applies to students enrolled in a degree programme in summer semester 2020, winter semester 2020-2021 or summer semester 2021. Thus students who remained in a single degree programme during this time are automatically eligible for three extensions, i.e. three additional semesters added to their standard duration of study. Students are only eligible to receive a Germany Scholarship if they have not exceeded their standard duration of study per Section 2 of the Awarding Guidelines of the Executive Board for the Deutschlandstipendium. Accordingly, the maximum possible length of a Germany Scholarship will be extended to ten semesters for undergraduates and six semesters for postgraduates.

Additional legal information

Scholarships are awarded in accordance with German law (Gesetz zum Deutschlandstipendium). Please familiarise yourself with applicable laws and regulations before applying.

The Deutschlandstipendium does not count towards BAföG (federal student aid in Germany).

If you are currently receiving a merit-based scholarship from a different institution, your application cannot be considered unless you meet the legal requirements for double-funding.

There is no legal entitlement to receiving a Deutschlandstipendium.