

# Scholarships and Funding

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## General information

- Prospectus: Scholarship Compass „[Stipendienkompass](#)“ (HHU) [pdf]
- DAAD: [Overview Funding Opportunities](#)
- Study in Germany: [Financing your studies with a scholarship](#)
- Young Germany: [Finance your studies with a scholarship](#)
- German Association for Student Affairs (*Deutsches Studierendenwerk*):  
[How do international students finance their studies?](#)

## Scholarship databases / resources

- Database: [Finding scholarships](#) (DAAD)
- Scholarship database „[Stipendienlotse](#)“ (Federal Ministry for Education and Research)

## Scholarships for HHU students

- [Overview](#)
- [Germany Scholarship](#)
- [Subject-specific scholarships](#)

## Scholarships for international students / migrants

- [Graduation grant](#) (*Studienabschluss-Stipendium*)– scholarship for the final phase of your studies (HHU)
- Dossier: [Financial support for foreign students | Grants](#) (German Education Server)
- [Support programmes for students from abroad](#) (*Deutsche Kultur International, IfA*)
- [Scholarship Portal EU](#) – scholarships for studying in Europe
- [GF-H Scholarships](#) (in German only)
- Otto-Benecke Foundation: [Educational grants for migrants](#) (in German) [before university admission] - support for: acquiring higher education qualification in Germany, starting or continuing university studies in Germany or starting an academic employment
- Scholarships for refugees by the [Albert Einstein German Academic Refugee Initiative \(DAFI\)](#)

## Doctoral studies / Post-Doc

- Research Training Groups with HHU participation and subject-related [scholarships for doctoral students](#)
- EURAXESS: [Funding Database Incoming](#)
- Research in Germany: PhD - [Research Funding Programmes](#)
- Prospectus scholarships for doctoral studies: [Promotionsstipendien](#) [pdf] (in German only) (HHU Equal Opportunities Officer).

## Scholarships by confessional organisations

- [Scholarships of the Protestant Church](#)
- [Scholarships of the Catholic Academic Exchange Service](#) (KAAD)

### The German education advancement grant (“BAföG”)

According to [Section 8 of the Federal Training Assistance Act \(Bundesausbildungsförderungsgesetz\)](#), you are entitled to funding from the German education advancement grant (BAföG) provided that

a) you are a student from a country of the **European Union** with a **permanent residence permit** (paragraph 1, sentence 2), or

b) you are a **refugee** with a **permanent residence permit** (paragraph 1, sentence 6).

As a citizen of a country in the European Union, you acquire the permanent residence permit after five years of continuous lawful residence in Germany or after a minimum of three years of continuous residence if you have been gainfully employed throughout the last twelve months at least (according to Section 4a of the German law on the freedom of movement / EU ([Freizuegigkeitsgesetz/EU](#)), implementing the EU Directive on Freedom of Movement).

## Advisory services on financing your studies & scholarships

**Central Scholarship Office (HHU)** / Ms. Janine Janus

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**Equal Opportunities Office (HHU)** / Ms. Selma Gündogdu M.A.

Counselling on scholarships for doctoral studies

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**Student Services (Studierendenwerk)** / Mr. Markus Schardin

Advisory service on financing for HHU students

Phone +49 211.81-13378 | E-Mail: [finanzierungsberatung@stw-d.de](mailto:finanzierungsberatung@stw-d.de)

Office hours: Monday & Thursday 11am – 12.30pm

→ [Student Services Düsseldorf](#) (*Studierendenwerk Düsseldorf*) (in German)

**Students' Union** / Social Issues (*AStA Sozialreferat*): [Advice on financing](#) your studies (in German)

**Otto Benecke Foundation**: [Educational grants for migrants](#) (in German) (*before university admission*)

**Protestant Student Community (ESG)** / Ms. Renate Doerner

Advice; financial support under certain conditions for students from "developing" countries

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**Catholic Student Community (KHG)**

Advice; assistance with applying for scholarships; support in precarious financial situations

E-Mail: [khg@hhu.de](mailto:khg@hhu.de) | Web: [www.khg-duesseldorf.de](http://www.khg-duesseldorf.de)

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