

# Hallo, Leute!

My name is Monica Fröhlich, I am the representative of the German Academic Exchange Service (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst - DAAD) in the Philippines and German lecturer.

At the University of the Philippines Diliman I teach German language, literature and history as an assistant professor. As DAAD representative, I am there for you to help you find your way to Germany.



Would you like to learn more about studying in Germany? Are you looking for suitable study programs that match your qualifications? Are you interested in scholarships?

There is great information available in this brochure and online! Please start your research here:

www.study-in-germany.de/en/www.funding-guide.de

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For further questions and consultation please contact me via email, Facebook or Whatsapp!

I'll be happy to help you (by the way: Fröhlich means happy)





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# **Step by step to Germany**



#### 1. FIND YOURSELF A PROGRAM

**www.myguide.de** is an amazing database with a strong search mask. It will help you to find a suitable program.



## 2. CHECK THE REQUIREMENTS

Each program has its own requirements, so read carefully and check every detail. Questions regarding the program are best placed at the program coordinator.



### 3. FIND A SUITABLE SCHOLARSHIP

**www.funding-guide.de** is the other great data-based website for scholarships in Germany. You will find many offers, but be aware: They are very different and have their own focusses, procedures and values. Some are subject related, others regional, ... Therefore, you must make your choice for a program first.

In the end you ideally can match your program to a scholarship.



# DAAD Scholarships for Students, Graduates and Academics from the Philippines

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is a joint association of German higher education institutions, devoted to internationalize the academic system and to promote change by exchange, above all through the awarding of scholarships. Its programs are open to all countries and for all subjects and aim to benefit foreigners and Germans alike. In addition, the DAAD supports the international activities of Germanys higher education institutions by providing services such as information and publication programs, advice, support and guidance and plays an advisory role in the development of foreign cultural, educational and research policy.

Scholarships are awarded to international students at an advanced stage in their study, graduates and PhD holders for study, research or further training at state (public) and state-recognized higher education institutions in Germany.

**Please note:** There are more institutions and organizations offering scholarships for international students! You will find all of them in this database:

www.funding-guide.de



The DAAD finances the scholarship programs from federal public funds. Due to budget cuts in 2022 applications for short term programs were suspended. They are going to be reopened soon. Please keep yourself updated!

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### FOR UNDERGRADUATES & GRADUATES



#### **University Summer Courses**

**Objective:** to improve the knowledge of German (generell and/or or special language) and the cultural knowledge of the country

Target group: Students

**Duration of funding:** around 4 weeks **Application deadline:** Dec 1 of each year

Link: daad.de/go/en/stipa50035295

## Study Visits by Groups of Foreign Students

**Objective:** to provide participants with a subject-specific knowledge by organizing visits to at least two universities, subject-related tours and informative meetings

Target group: Students

**Duration of funding:** 7 - 12 days **Application deadline:** Feb 1, May 1 and

Nov 1 of each year

Link: daad.de/go/en/stipa10000016

## Practical Traineeship for Foreign Students of Natural and Technical Sciences, Agriculture and Forestry (IAESTE)

**Objective:** to improve the professional and practical qualifications and intercultural skills

**Target group:** Students of Natural and Technical Sciences, Agriculture and Forestry

**Duration of funding:** 2 - 3 months **Application deadline:** Please contact

your local IAESTE team.

Link: daad.de/go/en/stipa57352834



### **FOR GRADUATES**

# **Development-Related Postgraduate Courses (EPOS)**

**Objective:** With its development-oriented postgraduate study programs, the DAAD promotes the training of local specialists who want to take a postgraduate or master's degree in Germany.

**Target group:** Master's degree holders from all academic disciplines with at least 2 years of professional experience

**Duration of funding:** 12 - 36 months **Application deadline:** varies - depends on Institut

Link: daad.de/go/en/stipa50076777

## Master Scholarship for Public Policy and Good Governance (Helmut-Schmidt-Program)

**Objective:** to qualify future leaders academically in politics, law, economics and administration according to the principles of good governance and to prepare them in praxis-oriented courses for professional life

**Target group:** Highly qualified graduates who in the future intend to contribute actively to the social and economic development of their home countries

**Duration of funding:** 1 - 2 years **Application period:** June 1 - July 31 of each year

Link: daad.de/go/en/stipa50026397

#### Study Scholarships - Post-graduate Studies in the Fields of

- Architecture
- Fine Art, Design, Visual Communication and Film
- Performing Arts
- Music

Please check upon www.funding-guide.de!



#### FOR GRADUATES & DOCTORAL CANDIDATES

#### Research Grants – One-Year Grants for Doctoral Candidates

**Objective:** to promote research projects within the context of doctoral programs **Target group:** Doctoral candidates, young academics as well as scientists **Duration of funding:** 7 - 10 months **Application deadline:** Oct 20 of each year **Link:** daad.de/go/en/stipa57140602

# Research Grants - Bi-nationally Supervised Doctoral Degrees (Cotutelle)

**Objective:** to promote doctoral degrees at the home university with integrated research phases in Germany

**Target group:** Excellently-qualified doctoral candidates, young academics

and scientists who have completed a master's degree

**Duration of funding:** 1 - 2 years **Application deadline:** Oct 20 of each year **Link:** daad.de/go/en/stipa57507783

### **Research Grants - Doctoral Programmes**

**Objective:** to support doctoral projects in Germany

**Target group:** Participants of a structured doctoral study program or individual PhD project under supervision of a university teacher

**Duration of funding:** maximum of 4 years

**Application deadline:** Oct 20 of each year **Link:** daad.de/go/en/stipa57135739

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#### FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHERS



### **Study Visits for Academics - Artists** and Architects

**Objective:** to promote artistic cooperations with German host institutions **Target group:** University teachers of the following disciplines: Architecture, Fine Art, Design, Visual Communication, Performing Arts and Music

**Duration of funding:** 1 - 3 months **Application deadline:** Apr 8 and Oct 5 **Link:** daad.de/go/en/stipa50015456

of each year

Link: daad.de/go/en/stipa50110016



#### **Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists**

**Objective:** to support short-term research stays and thus promote the exchange of experience and net-working amongst colleagues

Target group: Doctoral degree holders working at a University or research Institute



#### **FOR ALUMNI**



### **Re-invitation Programme for Former** research grants or study scholarships, **Scholarship Holders**

**Objective:** to carry out research and six month working projects in Germany and to maintain contacts as part of DAAD's global alumni network

Target group: Former holders of DAAD Link: daad.de/go/en/stipa50015492

who were funded for a period of over

**Duration of funding:** 1 - 3 months Application deadline: Apr 8 and Oct 5

of each year

# What Filipinos should know about German Higher Education and Studying in Germany

### THE HIGHER EDUCATION **SYSTEM**

There are around 430 officially recognized institutions of higher education in 165 towns and cities throughout Germany. In total, German universities and colleges offer over 20,000 degree programs, many of them are internationalized and more than 2,000 programs are fully taught in English. And from all of these, you will have to choose one.



The DAAD's website www.myguide.de can assist you with a course finder search mask.

From the 430 institutions of higher education in Germany there are:

- 106 Universities with a strong focus on methodical and theoretical knowledge
- 216 Universities of Applied Science, which are highly praxis-oriented with close connection to the professional world

- 52 Colleges of Art, Music, or Film with artistic and design-oriented subjects such as Design, Graphic Arts, Music, Voice, Directing, Camera, etc.
- 56 Administration or Teaching Colleges

120 of these institutions are private universities and collegues with partly high tuition fees.

> More about the different types of higher education institutions:



www.daad.de/en/studyand-research-in-germany/ plan-your-studies/the-rightuniversity/

#### COSTS OF LIVING

- In general, pursuing your education in Germany is very affordable, as no tuition fees will be charged in public universities (except for institutions in the federal state of Baden-Württemberg).
- Still there is a semester contribution for several student services and a

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semester ticket, which comes to between 100 and 350 Euro.

• The cost of living in Germany is quite reasonable compared to other European countries. You will need around 861 euros per month / 10,332 EUR per year to cover your living expenses in Germany as of 2021.

More about Costs of Education and Living:



www.daad.de/en/studyand-research-in-germany/ plan-your-studies/costs-ofeducation-and-living/

# THE HIGHER EDUCATION ENTRANCE QUALIFICATION

Students in Germany get to finish 10 to 13 years of basic education. If they want to enter a university or a university of applied science, they need to finish 12 or 13 years of education (depending on the state), to get a so called *Hochschulzugangsberechtigung*. This long word describes a school leaving certificate, which is recognized as higher education entrance qualification. In Germany, this is also called the *Abitur*.

How can you determine whether your higher education entrance qualification will be recognized in Germany? A good place to start is the DAAD online

admission database. Simply enter the country where you received your school leaving certificate or use https://anabin.kmk.org/anabin.html.



More about requirements: www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/plan-your-studies/requirements/

### PURSUING UNDERGRADU-ATE STUDIES IN GERMANY

Due to the difference in the educational systems between Germany and the Philippines, the school leaving certificate from the Philippines will not enable applicants to enter a German university directly. For Philippine students it is therefore more complicated, yet not impossible to enter a bachelor's program in Germany. There are several options to get the Hochschulzugangsberechtigung. One option is to have finished two years (or more) of a bachelor's program in the Philippines. Additionally, you must pass an assessment test including a language exam (if you choose a program being taught in German). This allows you to enter a bachelor's program at a German university. If you have already finished three years of an undergraduate degree, you will not

have to undergo the admission test. Always contact the universities before you apply to ask about their individual entry requirements!

Another way is to join either a preparatory course offered at universities, or to join the *Studienkolleg* (not available in all federal states), a school where you will gain your *Abitur* degree which enables you to apply at a German university directly.

Note: You will already be expected to have attained a certain proficiency level of German language right from day one. And: There are no scholarships for Studienkollegs.



More about Studienkollegs: www.studienkollegs.de/home.html

A new way to enter German universities for applicants that do not fulfill the criteria is to take the *Test for international students / Test für ausländische Studierende (TestAS)*. This test is an alternative entrance qualification for foreign students and will hopefully be available shortly to be taken in Manila.



More about TestAS: www.testas.de/en/faq\_en.htm

# PURSUING POSTGRADUATE STUDIES IN GERMANY

Due to the difference in education systems, the contents of a bachelor's course in Germany are hence different from those of a course in the Philippines, and the degrees are not equivalent in terms of qualifying the applicant for a master's program. Thus, applications must be evaluated individually by the German universities. Decisions are largely dependent on what kind of bachelor course you took and the course you are planning to take in Germany. If you can provide the necessary qualification, you can be admitted. Applicants are usually asked to take up extra courses before they can start their master's course in Germany. Ultimately, the university you apply to always has the final say concerning your admission. Therefore, before applying, you should enquire at the International Office about the admission requirements at the university of vour choice.

#### LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Usually, you will be expected to take a German language test before you are admitted to your degree program.

There are official tests with which you can prove your German language skills.

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- The Test *Deutsch als Fremdsprache (TestDaF)* is offered in around 100 countries, hopefully also in the Philippines soon.
- The Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang (DSH) has to be taken in Germany and is offered by many higher education institutions.
- The Goethe-Zertifikat C2, the Telc Deutsch C1 examination and the Deutsches Sprachdiplom (level II) of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs are usually also recognized by higher education institutions.

If you completed your school leaving certificate giving right of entry to higher education at a German language school abroad, you will not be required to take a language proficiency test.

Please be sure to contact your higher education institution for information on the rules that apply for your degree program.

If you choose an international program taught in English, a document stating that English is the language of instructions in school and university will be required. If you apply for a DAAD scholarship it will require a TOEFL or IELTS certificate if the chosen program is taught in English.



More about requirements: www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/plan-your-studies/requirements/

#### **VISA REQUIREMENTS**

Before you can enter the Federal Republic of Germany, you have to apply for a student applicant visa or a student visa through the German Embassy Manila (located in RCBC Plaza, Makati City).

Please note: It is not possible to change a tourist or other visa into a student visa once you have entered Germany! You can go and apply for your visa after having received your notification of admission to a university or a university preparatory course.



For information about visa application requirements and procedure, please visit: https://manila.diplo.de/phen/service/visa

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Currently there are 88 scholarship options for Philippine students, either offered from DAAD, the universities themselves or other institutions.

The DAAD is focusing on research grants for doctoral candidates, is funding study trips for students of any field or scholarships for the field of Arts and Architectures.

For MA scholarships, DAAD currently has two programs:

a) Public Policy and Good Governance b) Development-Related Postgraduate Courses (2 years work experience required).

See the pages 4 - 7 and

have a look at the www.funding-guide.de.



This database will help you to find out more about funding options from DAAD and other institutions for your field of interest.

# OPPORTUNITIES AFTER GRADUATION

If you finish your degree in Germany, you are allowed to stay for another 18 months in the country and look for a job.

More about paths after



studying: www.study-in-germany.de/ en/germany/career/afteruniversity/

#### **NEED TO TALK?**

All the information is too much, and you need specific help? Or you simply want to talk to someone about your plans?

Please don't hesitate to contact the DAAD office at UP Diliman for information on DAAD scholarships and general inquiries on studying in Germany:

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# **Helpful Links**



www.hochschulkompass.de

www.daad.de/idp (International Programmes)

www.daad.de/deutschland/studienangebote/ranking/en (CHE University Ranking)

www.study-in-germany.de (Everything about studying & living in Germany)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FUNDING OPTIONS

www.daad.de/deutschland www.funding-guide.de

ADMISSIONS AND RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATES

www.daad.de/admission www.anabin.de

APPLYING TO A GERMAN UNIVERSITY

www.uni-assist.de www.hochschulstart.de

WHERE TO LEARN GERMAN

www.goethe.de/ins/ph/de/index.html www.summerschools.de



www.diplo.de/visa

COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION ON LIFE IN GERMANY

www.tatsachen-ueber-deutschland.de www.dw.de www.young-germany.de



MONICA WITH SCHOLARSHIP HOLDER IN FRONT OF THE HISTORIC OLD TOWN OF NUREMBERG

