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Due to the high number of COVID-19 cases in Thailand, especially in Bangkok, the DAAD staff have been working from home since 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and we still plan to continue to do so until the end of this year. Contacts and consultations are currently only available **ONLINE**. We have opened a new consultation channel via Zoom. You can book your appointment and talk to us just like in the office. For now, you can reach us via: Facebook: DAAD.Thailand <https://www.facebook.com/DAAD.Thailand/inbox>  
Line Official: @daadthailand <https://page.line.me/daadthailand>  
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We hope you are staying safe and healthy through these tough times and hope to see lower infection rates in our country soon.

## Greetings from DAAD Thailand

**Good news!** Universities in Germany are planning to return to in-person teaching for the 2021/22 winter semester. A number of classes will be conducted on campus with necessary hygiene and safety measures by respective departments. Additionally, many departments have come up with an online teaching strategy and will continue to offer virtual or hybrid courses. Since August 23<sup>rd</sup>



2021, the so-called “3G rule - geimpft, genesen, getestet” (vaccinated, recovered, tested) is set to be enforced nationwide in Germany. This is an important guideline for lecturers and students who will participate in face-to-face teaching. They will need to either present their proof of vaccination, proof of recovery or a valid test certificate.

We are so delighted to hear that many Thai students got accepted by German universities and will start their university studies in this winter semester. Unfortunately, Thailand has been listed as a high risk area of COVID-19 since August 8<sup>th</sup> 2021, therefore, travelers from Thailand must follow specific entry requirements. Information on entry restrictions, testing and quarantine regulations in Germany can be found at <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/coronavirus/2317268>.

The headquarter of DAAD is also observing the situation closely and they are communicating implications for international scholars and scholarship holders through a special webpage: <https://www.daad.de/en/coronavirus/>. Due to the current pandemic situation, scholarship applications can be submitted without a letter of reference. The absence of such a letter does not lead to a formal rejection of your application. This rule is applied to all DAAD scholarship applications with the deadline until 31.12.2021. We hope this special exemption can help you prepare your applications so that you will be able to apply for your desired DAAD scholarship in time. However, if possible, we would recommend submitting references as part of your application.

This is the last issue of our newsletter in 2021! In this issue, we focus on topics related to PhD application and doctoral scholarships in Germany. Thank you everyone for contacting us and for your interest in studying and researching in Germany. We are more than happy to assist you and to hear your feedbacks as well as your stories and experiences in Germany. We hope you stay safe and healthy!

**DAAD Thailand Team**

## Scholarship for the Best I

### Final Call for Applications!

#### Master scholarships for Artists & Architects:

- Postgraduate Studies in the Field of Performing Arts  
Deadline: 2 November 2021
- Postgraduate Studies in the Field of Fine Art, Design, Visual Communication & Film  
Deadline: 30 November 2021



**Applications must be submitted online through the DAAD portal**

#### Research Grants for doctoral candidates:

- Doctoral Programs in Germany max. 4 years
- Bi-nationally Supervised Doctoral Degrees (Sandwich Model/Cotutelle)\*
- One-year-Grants

Deadline: 20 October 2021

**Applications must be submitted online through the DAAD portal**

#### Short Term Research Stays for University Lecturers and/or Senior Researchers

- Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists (Post Doc)
- Study Visits for Academics - Artists and Architects
- Re-invitation Program for Former Scholarship Holders

Deadline: 5 October 2021 (for stays between March and July 2022)

8 April 2022 (for stays between August 2022 and January of the following year)

**Applications must be submitted online through the DAAD portal**

#### *\*What is the difference between the Sandwich Model and Cotutelle\**

**Sandwich Model:** The doctoral project is supervised both by a university teacher at the home university (in Thailand) and an academic adviser at the host institute in Germany. The project must be coordinated with both supervisors. Doctoral candidates start their doctoral degree in their home country but subsequently spend research periods in Germany. The doctorate is completed in the home country with participation of the German academic adviser; **the doctoral degree is awarded by the home university.**

**Doctorate following the "Cotutelle" procedure:** Funding of bi-national doctoral degrees at the home university and at a university in Germany according to the so-called "Cotutelle" procedure. **The prerequisite is an individual cooperation contract (MOU)** between the participating universities about the doctoral project which is to be supervised. After successful completion of the doctorate, **the German university and the foreign partner university award a joint doctoral degree.**



For more information regarding research in Germany, please follow these websites:

- [www.research-in-germany.org](http://www.research-in-germany.org)
- [www.gerit.org/de/](http://www.gerit.org/de/)
- [PhD International Programs](http://PhD.InternationalPrograms)

## Scholarships for the Best II

### DAAD — Graduate School Scholarship Program (GSSP)

GSSP is the DAAD scholarship for structured PhD programs. This doctoral funding program was first launched back in 2012. DAAD realised the importance of structured PhD programs as a qualification process for young academics in Germany and throughout Europe. DAAD also would like to increase the number of international doctoral candidates in selected structured graduate schools at German universities.

Each year, DAAD will select a number of PhD programs and graduate schools to welcome international graduate students. You can see the selected programs under the link below.

However, the GSSP application procedure differs from the application procedure to DAAD research grants. Applicants cannot apply a GSSP scholarship directly, instead please submit your application to the program of your choice first. If you are nominated by the hosting program, you will be asked to submit your online application with supporting documents to the DAAD portal later.

You can find more details on how to submit your application [HERE](#)

Please follow this [LINK](#) to see the list of participating programs

Please note that, each program has its own deadline!

## Two ways to obtain your PhD in Germany

The degree PhD is the highest academic degree you can be awarded by universities. In Germany “studying for a PhD or doctorate” means you are “working intensively on one particular topic” for quite a period of time. Typically, doing a PhD takes between 3-5 years. In Germany, there usually are two ways to obtain your PhD.

**Individual doctorate:** This is the most common and also the traditional way of doing a doctorate in Germany. First the prospective doctoral student needs to find a supervisor, usually a university professor, in his/her research field, willing to supervise him/her. After the professor and the student have agreed on the topic, proposal, research plan etc., the PhD student will independently carry out his/her research under supervision/with consultation of that **ONE** professor - usually no course work required or any fixed curriculum offered. The doctorate will be completed with a dissertation or thesis. This kind of PhD study is highly flexible, however, it requires a lot of self-discipline and big self-responsibility from the student.

**Structured PhD Program:** This kind of PhD is very typical in English-speaking countries, also in Thailand. A team of supervisors or academic staff guide and support a group of doctoral students. To be admitted into a structured PhD program, first your research proposal has to be in line with PhD program. Additionally you need to fulfill the admission criteria of the program. If you opt for a structured PhD program, you will need to do course work and attend lectures or seminars according to the curriculum of the program.

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## Scholarship for the Best III

DAAD Scholarships for Summer Courses at German Universities (HSK 2022)

### Call for Application!

The DAAD supports the best university students to participate in a four-week language course offered by German universities in June/July/August 2022.

#### Who is eligible?

- Undergraduate students can apply during their second or third year. Students in Master programs can only apply in their first year.
- The program is open for students from all fields of studies.
- At the time of application students must prove German language proficiency on level B1, applicants can take an onSET-Deutsch exam organized by DAAD in October/November free of charge\*.

#### Scholarship

- One-off scholarship payment of 1,061 €
- Travel allowance 1,100 €
- Accident and personal liability insurance cover in Germany

**Please note:** Airfare must be paid upfront; course fees and accommodation expenses will be deducted from scholarship payment.

**Please submit your application via DAAD Portal before 1st December 2021.**

You can find scholarship details here: <http://daad.or.th/HSK-E>

*\*\*\*Due to the pandemic situation, there might be a change in taking the onSET-test this year.*

*Please stay updated by following our Facebook page: DAAD Thailand\*\*\**



## ONCE DAAD always A DAAD

Once you were funded by DAAD for at least three months, you are then counted as a DAAD family member. Although we are a BIG family, DAAD would always like to keep in touch with as many family members as possible. For this reason, DAAD offer our alumni several funding opportunities to keep our network always connected. Each funding program has their own specific criteria.

Here are some individual funding programs for our DAAD alumni:

- [Grants for alumni events](#)
- [Alumni Special Projects](#)
- [Re-invitation Program for Former Scholarship Holders](#)
- [Scientific Literature Program](#)
- [Material Resources Program](#)
- [Small Equipment Program](#)
- [DIES alumni programs](#)
- [The magazine for DAAD alumni LETTER](#)





### Closing dates 2021/2022:

October 13, 22

December 6, 10

and from December 27,

2021 – January 4, 2022

## How to prepare for a PhD in Germany?

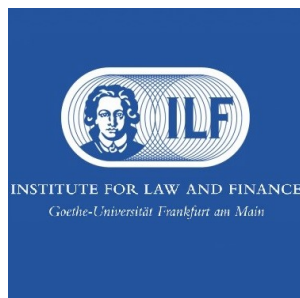
Dr. Georg Verweyen, former director of DAAD Information Centre Bangkok, has launched many informative videos providing tips for successful applications for PhD candidates and PhD applicants. Please follow this link to find the videos: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/124780760876525/360531788162241/>.

We have also interviewed the DAAD scholarship holders of “Research Grants - Doctoral Program in Germany” and “GSSP: Graduate School Scholarship Program” last year.

We found many tips and experiences from our interviewees still useful for everyone, that’s why we would like to share the records of these interviews again:

- Interview with **Ms. Vorawan Wannalak** (Graduate School Scholarship Program): <https://fb.watch/8uhKqwkIPJ/>
- Interview with **Ms. Prapawadee Srisunthon** (Research Grants - Doctoral Program in Germany): <https://fb.watch/8ui5UC20GQ/>

Enjoy watching and please contact us if you require some more information on any topics!



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