



# DLR-DAAD Research Fellowships

Graduate Students / Doctoral Students / Postdoctoral Researchers / Senior Scientists / Visiting Researchers

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Since 2008, fellows from over 70 countries have participated in the DLR-DAAD Research Fellowship programme in the various research fields across DLR institutes.

### DAAD at a Glance

The DAAD supports over 140,000 German and international students and researchers around the globe each year – making it the world's largest funding organisation of its kind. Since it was founded in 1925, around 2.9 million scholars in Germany and abroad have received DAAD funding. The DAAD supports the internationalisation of German universities, promotes German studies and the German language abroad, assists developing countries in establishing effective universities and advises decision makers on matters of cultural, education and development policy. Further information is available online at [www.daad.de](http://www.daad.de).

### DLR-DAAD Research Fellowship Programme

The DLR-DAAD Research Fellowship Programme was jointly established by the German Aerospace Center (DLR) and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) in 2008.

This programme is intended for highly-qualified international graduate, doctoral and postdoctoral students as well as senior scientists. DLR-DAAD Research Fellowships offer outstanding researchers the opportunity to conduct cutting-edge research at DLR institutes in Germany.

DLR-DAAD Research Fellowships are defined and awarded by DLR institutes on an individual basis. Individual fellowships may have specific requirements and terms of stay. Open positions will be published on the DAAD homepage [www.daad.de/dlr](http://www.daad.de/dlr) for the following research fields:



Space



Transport



Aeronautics



Energy



Security

## Application Requirements

At the time of their application, applicants for a DLR-DAAD Research Fellowship must:

- be able to prove their outstanding study or research achievements,
- **Graduate Students:** applicants have completed a first qualifying degree (Bachelor's, Diploma, equivalent) and must be enrolled in a Master's programme at a foreign or German university,
- **Doctoral Students:** have completed their studies or research with a university degree,
- **Postdoctoral Researchers:** have completed their studies with a doctorate/PhD/candidate degree,
- **Senior Scientists:** be working in higher education or at a research institute; positions are open to outstandingly qualified academics and scientists who should generally hold a doctorate/PhD,
- have an excellent knowledge of English; please provide evidence of this through the submission of appropriate language certificates (e.g. TOEFL IBT: 79-85); knowledge of German is an advantage;



- have completed their last degree in the last six years (doctoral students), or have completed their doctorate in the last two years (postdocs), or will be assessed individually according to prerequisites (senior scientists).
- **Visiting Researchers: PhD** applicants have completed a first qualifying degree and are currently enrolled in PhD studies; **Postdoc** applicants must have completed their studies with a doctorate/PhD/Candidate not more than two years ago.

### Terms of the Fellowships

Target Group	Fellowship Goal	Funding Duration	Instalment
Graduate Students	Master thesis/ Research in GER	9 months	€ 992*
Doctoral Students	Doctorate in GER	36 months	€ 1.760*
Postdoctoral Researchers	Research in GER	6 to 24 months	€ 2.400
Senior Scientists	Research in GER	1 to 3 months	€ 2.760
Visiting Researcher PhD	Research in GER	1 to 6 months	€ 1.760
Visiting Researcher Postdoc	Research in GER	1 to 6 months	€ 2.400

\*Possible additional payments, e.g. flat-rate travel allowance, health insurance, family allowances.

### Application Documents

Please apply through the DAAD online portal [www.daad.de/dlr](http://www.daad.de/dlr). DAAD will not consider incomplete applications. The application deadline is provided in the individual 'Current Offers', please refer to [www.daad.de/dlr](http://www.daad.de/dlr). For more information about DLR please visit [www.dlr.de/en](http://www.dlr.de/en).

Fellowships are awarded consistent with the length of the research stay in Germany. The DLR host institute and the fellow will agree upon the length of the stay.

## About DLR

The German Aerospace Center (Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt; DLR) is Germany's national research and technology centre for aeronautics, space, energy, transport, security and defence. DLR's work spans a wide range of applications, delivering results and innovations that benefit industry and business, government agencies and the public sector. At the heart of DLR's mission is its commitment to society, which it fulfils through extensive knowledge sharing and targeted technology transfer. Therefore it is funded through federal resources. The German Space Agency at DLR is responsible for planning and implementing German space activities on behalf of the federal government. Additionally, two project management agencies at DLR manage research and industrial funding programmes.

Earth's climate is changing, along with global mobility and technology. DLR harnesses the expertise of its 51 research institutes and facilities to develop solutions to these challenges. All 11,000 employees share a common mission: to explore Earth and space while developing technologies for a sustainable future. DLR's technologies are not confined to the laboratory, but are transferred to wider society, strengthening Germany's position as a prime location for research and industrial innovation.

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