Scholarships for international students
Scholarship for Study and Research in Germany

Since 1970 the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung awards scholarships to international students from around the world to study and research in Germany. Our scholarship program is aiming at international students and graduates who have acquired a university degree and who intend to complete postgraduate or master studies, doctoral studies or a research stay of at least four semesters at a university in Germany.

We are looking for graduates and PhDs, who ...

• have a university degree and above-average academic performance,
• have good knowledge of the German language,
• are actively engaged in voluntary work,
• plan to study a minimum of four semesters at any university in Germany,
• support democracy, rule of law and human rights.
Germany, Land of Ideas and Higher Education

Germany is a land of ideas and innovation. It has over 400 institutions for higher education. The oldest university was founded in 1386 in Heidelberg and still today new universities are being founded. This dynamic landscape offers countless possibilities to enhanced knowledge and intellectual growth.
Shuyang | Field of study: Contemporary History (M.A.)

“Conversations with politicians, discussions with renowned scientists or exchanges with entrepreneurs – the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung offers me exciting insights into German society. The interdisciplinary seminars not only broadened my horizons, but also gave me the chance to make many new friends. This scholarship helps me a lot with my personal and professional development.”

Kibouni | Field of study: Intercultural German Studies (PhD)

“The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung scholarship is a unique opportunity for me to develop academically and personally and to sharpen my socio-political awareness. The inspiring seminars, university group meetings and conversations with my fellow scholarship holders have greatly expanded my understanding of Germany and Europe. I’m happy to be part of this unique community.”
Join our International Network

Being a scholar of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung means much more than just receiving financial support. You become part of an active network of more than 3,000 scholars and over 17,000 alumni. Our scholars benefit from a comprehensive support: From personal contact and mentoring to an extensive seminar program and local activities at more than 140 different universities in Germany. Join us and become part of this unique experience. Your ideas and your involvement matter in all these activities.

Get Involved in Democracy
Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is guided by the Christian view of humanity. We feel particularly bound by the political legacy of Konrad Adenauer. We stand for individual responsibility, justice and solidarity. We are firmly committed to liberal values, human rights, representative democracy, rule of law, social market economy, European integration and multilateral cooperation. We believe that international cooperation starts and thrives through personal encounter and exchange. With our international scholarship program we offer the ideal conditions for advancing your personal education, professional training and experience – thus supporting international understanding and cooperation.
Application Procedure

Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is active worldwide. Each year our admission procedure focusses on different countries and regions around the world – maybe this year we will come to your country or region! Please check our home-page for details on the application process and the focus regions.

In case you are already living in Germany, you are welcome to apply for a scholarship through our domestic application procedure. The application period ends on July 15th each year. Fitting candidates are invited to an interview in autumn of that year.

Any Questions?

We will be happy to answer your questions about our scholarship or the application process. Just send us an email!

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