DAAD Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst
German Academic Exchange Service

„In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Progamme“

Call for Scholarship Applications 2018 at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) in South Africa

Funded by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

Application Closing Date: 30th November 2017

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Programme Objectives

DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service), as a publicly funded, selfgoverning organisation of the institutions of higher education in Germany, promotes international academic exchange as well as educational co-operation with developing countries through a variety of funding and scholarship programmes.

As part of the „In-Country / In-Region Scholarship Progamme" DAAD offers scholarships for PhD studies The programme is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and aims at university staff in the first line, without neglecting the public sector demand of academically trained personnel.

The target group for scholarships are graduates and postgraduates from Sub-Saharan Africa (excluding South Africa) with a Master's degree who want to pursue PhD courses in South Africa (**In-Region scholarships**).
It has been agreed upon that DAAD cooperates with University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) by offering up to 6 In-Region scholarships for PhD studies at University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) for the intake 2018.

Application requirements

Applicants

- have successfully completed generally a three-year university degree (Master candidates) or a two-year university degree (doctoral candidates) with above average results (upper forth of class)
- clearly show motivation and strong commitment
- have thorough knowledge of the language of instruction
- have completed their last university degree not more than 6 years ago at the time of application
- must be nationals or permanent resident of a Sub-Saharan African country, excluding South Africa
- should generally be a) staff member of a public university, b) candidate considered for teaching or research staff recruitment, c) from the public sector

Female applicants and candidates from less privileged regions or groups are especially encouraged to participate in the programme.

The scholarships are initially granted for one year and can be extended to upon receipt of an application for extension. Scholars must demonstrate satisfactory progress before an extension is granted. All further information will be provided after admission to the scholarship programme.

Eligible fields

The In-Country/ In-Region Scholarship Programme Scholarships supports studies in subject areas with strong relevance to national development.

The scholarships at University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) are available in the following fields:

- Higher Education Training and Development

Place of tenure

University of Kwazulu-Natal (UKZN)

Duration and Commencement

The duration

- of the PhD programme is 3 years

generally **starting in January 2018**

Applicaion and Selection Procedure

The application process contains two steps.

First step:
Applicants must apply for their studies at University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN)using the contacts and the method that is prescribed by the institution. University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) has set their own deadlines.

University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) will screen, pre-select (according to DAAD selection criteria) and short-list the applicants. A detailed report consisting of the shortlisting procedure, the entire list of applicants, the ranked shortlist and the shortlisting panel members will also be availed to DAAD. The ranked shortlist will contain double or triple the number of scholarships that have been attributed to the institution.

DAAD reserves the right of final selection.

Second step:
Pre-selected candidates are asked to log into the DAAD portal and register themselves and submit an DAAD application.

1. Register online via the DAAD-Portal (if not already registered): https://portal.daad.de, **Deadline: 30th November 2017**

2. Apply online via the DAAD-Portal under the tab "Personal Funding"/ "Application"

   Documents to be submitted:

   - DAAD application form duly filled (available in the DAAD-Portal)
   - Hand signed curriculum vitae (please use the European specimen form at http://europass.cedefop. Europa.eu), including a list of publications (if applicable).
   - Recommendation letter by university teachers (Master 1, PhD 2)
   - Letter of admission for the host university / institution / network
   - Certified copies of university degree certificates including transcripts
   - Letter of motivation (if applicable: mentioning the planned research stay in Germany, see "Additional benefits")
   - Copy of the passport

   PhD candidates have to submit the following additional documents:

   - Declaration of acceptance from the academic supervisor
   - Detailed and precise PhD proposal, including detailed work and time table (if applicable: mentioning the planned research stay in Germany, see "Additional benefits")
   - Abstract of the proposal on one page (please include name and title of proposal

Closing date for the submission of DAAD scholarship applications is 30th November 2017

Scholarship funding

The scholarship covers:

Item	Amount in €
Tuition fees	the regularly charged amount
Study and research allowance	920,- Euro

Printing allowance	1.025,- Euro
Monthly Scholarship (Accomodation, Food etc.)	500,- Euro
Travel allowance (In-Region only)	*The flat rate travel allowance will be specified in the letter of award*
Insurance	*if applicable*

The scholarship will either be disbursed by the host instituition, the German Embassy or will be paid directly to the scholarship holder´s banking account. Further details will be announced after admission to the scholarship programme.

Additional benefits

DAAD In-Country/In-Region scholarship holders are also encouraged to apply for a **research grant in Germany** for 2 up to 6 months, if the necessary financial means are available. Please note: **The short-term research stay in Germany should preferably be announced in the application for the regular scholarship.**

The short-term research scholarship includes:

- a monthly scholarship payment for living costs which amounts to 1.000 € per month
- health/accident/personal liability insurance
- a flat-rate travel allowance

All further details regarding additional benefits and the additional application processes will be provided after admission to the scholarship programme.

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