"In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme"

Call for Scholarship Applications 2018 at Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture – SEARCA

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

Application Closing Date: 1.4.2018



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 and Master 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 South East Asia with a first academic degree if applying for a master's programme, or with a Master's degree if applying for a doctoral programme who want to pursue Master's or PhD courses in their home country (so called **In-Country scholarships**) or in another South East Asia country (**In-Region scholarships**). It has been agreed upon that DAAD cooperates with SEARCA by offering up to 21 In-Region/In-Country scholarships for PhD and Master studies at

- Institut Pertanian Bogor
- Kasetsart University Thailand
- University of the Philippines Los Baños
- Universiti Putra Malaysia
 - or
- Universitas Gadjah Mada

for the intake 2018.

Application requirements

Applicants

- have successfully completed generally a three-year university degree/144
 CP (Master candidates) or a five-year university degree/180 CP (doctoral candidates) with above average results (upper third of class)
- clearly show motivation and strong commitment
- have thorough knowledge of English language
- 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 South East Asien country

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 supports studies in subject areas with strong relevance to national development.

The scholarships at SEARCA are available in the following fields:

Faculty of Agriculture (M.Sc. and PhD)
 Faculty of Agricultural Technology (M.Sc. and PhD)
 Statistics (M.Sc. and PhD)
 Faculty of Food Science and Technology (M.Sc. and PhD)
 Department of Forest Products and Paper Science (M.Sc. and PhD)

- Institute of Biological Science (M.Sc. and PhD9
- Faculty of Veterinary Medicine (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Animal Science (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Economics and Management
- Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Science (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Forestry (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Management of Natural Resources and Environment, Graduate School (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Human Ecology (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Math and Science (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Biology (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Engineering (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Geography (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Social and Political Sciences (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Development Communication
- Agricultural Economics (M.Sc. and PhD)
- Faculty of Agro-industry (M.Sc. and PhD)

Place of tenure

SEARCA

Duration and Commencement

The duration

- of the PhD programme is three years
- of the Master programme is two years

generally starting in August 2018

Applicaion and Selection Procedure

The application process contains two steps.

First step:

Applicants must apply for their studies at SEARCA using the contacts and the method that is prescribed by the institution. SEARCA has set their own deadlines.

SEARCA 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:

Only 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,
- 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
- Language certificate

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 30.4.2018

Scholarship funding

The scholarship covers:

Item	Amount in €
Tuition fees	the regularly charged amount
Study and research allowance	460 Euro per annum for Master
	920 Euro per annum for PhD
Printing allowance	Of up to 300 euros for Master
	and 650 euros for PhD
	scholarship holder. It is paid
	once during the last 6 months of
	your scholarship period
Monthly Scholarship	Master Scholarship holders 500
(Accomodation, Food etc.)	Euro
	PhD Scholarship holders 650
	Euro
Travel allowance (In-Region only)	The amount will be specified in
	the Letter of Award
Insurance	If your insurance is not covered
	by your host institution, the
	DAAD will pay you a insurance
	allowance within the regular and
	regional costs of insurance

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. <u>Please note:</u> 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
- 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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Contact and advice

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