

"The joy of life comes from our encounters with new experiences, and hence there is no greater joy than to have an endlessly changing horizon, for each day to have a new and different sun"

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PROMOS scholarships

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The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) in concert with funds from the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) is promoting stays abroad through the programme PROMOS (programme for the increased mobility of German students).

What can be funded?

Internships

Europa-Universität Flensburg focuses on awarding PROMOS partial scholarships for short-term internships (6 weeks to 6 month) in non-European countries.

- › The monthly scholarship is between 350€ and 550€ depending on the [destination country](#) (pdf) and is paid on a monthly turn. From day 1-14 a half monthly rate is paid.
- › Internships in Switzerland can be funded if other mobility programmes do not apply (e.g. SEMP).
- › Internships which may be funded through [specific programmes of the DAAD](#) are excluded from PROMOS. These are internships in International Organizations (e.g.UN) or EU Institutions as well as internships arranged by AIESEC or IAESTE. Please apply directly at the [DAAD](#).
- › Internships at German schools abroad (Deutsche Auslandsschulen, DAS) can be funded by the [DAAD](#). Internships at DPS, DSD and Fit-schools may be funded by PROMOS. Please consult this [Website](#) for the classification of German schools abroad.
- › Internships may also, in rare cases, be funded between the completion of the Bachelor degree and the start of the Masters. This is on the assumption that a Masters study place at the EUF already exists (please attach this to your application!).
- › Please observe the travel and safety instructions and, in particular, the (partial)travel warnings of the [Federal Foreign Office](#) and inform us before the start of the journey if a travel warning has been issued.

Language courses

Every year the Europa-Universität Flensburg promotes four scholarships to students who are motivated, interested and high performers in foreign languages to be used for residential language courses.

- › The funding consists of 350€ 450€ or 550€ depending on the [destination country](#) (pdf) plus 500€ to cover language course fees. The total amount of the stipend is 850€, 950€ or 1050€.
- › Online-language courses can also be approved until 31st December 2021. This is an exceptional regulation of DAAD regarding the corona situation.
- › The language course must have a duration of at least three weeks with 25 hours of language learning a week.
- › The language course must take place in an established language institution abroad.
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Study trips

The Europa-Universität Flensburg supports through PROMOS a limited number of study trips with a contribution to the trip costs.

- › The daily allowance per person for trips in EU countries, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland and Turkey is

30€ and in all other countries the daily allowance is 45€ per person.

- › An accompanying person (a lecturer or a professor) may also be eligible for funding.
- › As a rule, the DAAD only funds a trip for a period of 12 days, even if the trip lasts longer than that.
- › This funding is limited to once per each stage of higher education. It is impossible to get funding for the same trip through DAAD or other public resources.
- › As well as aiming to gain specialised knowledge and regional insights, the participants should also meet with local students and teachers.

Who can get funding?

Target group

1. German students
2. Foreign students who are eligible for funding through BAföG.
3. Non-German students who have enrolled in degree programmes at Europa-Universität Flensburg and will complete the programme here.
 - › For the 2nd and 3rd group, a stay in their home country is not eligible. The home country is defined as the country where they have spent the majority of their time for at least the last five years. In theory, multiple lots of funding is possible but those who are undertaking unpaid internships and first-time applicants are given priority.
 - › During the PROMOS funding period the student must be enrolled at Europa-Universität Flensburg.
 - › Doctoral candidates are only allowed to apply for funding for study trips.

What is the application process?

Internships

Students can apply twice a year (01.01. and 01.06).

- › The decision will be taken by the decision committee 2 to 3 weeks after the applications close and the students will be immediately informed.
- › Here is the [application link](#) for the PROMOS scholarship which should include:
 - › CV
 - › A letter of motivation
 - › Transcript of academic results (MA Students in the first Semester should apply with their **Bachelor's** Degree certificate)
 - › Written confirmation of internship
 - › Written confirmation of EUF enrollment for the period of the internship

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Only professors and lecturers can apply for funding of a study trip and they must submit the informal application to dagmara.paciorek-herrmann@uni-flensburg.de before the deadlines (01.01 and 01.06). The informal application should include:

- › An outline of the plan (confirmed programme if already available) containing the academic conceptual design
- › Timetable
- › A list of participants (if already available)
- › A breakdown of the costs involved

What are the selection criteria?

Internships

The following criteria are considered with the award of any funding:

- › The applicants's current academic record (at least a grade average of 2.5) and qualifications
- › Relevance of planned study abroad period to current studies
- › The language proficiency which is vital for the stay

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- » The applicants's current academic record (at least a grade average of 2.0)
- » Relevance of planned language course to future studies and career (letter of motivation)

Study trips

Applications for study trip funding will be assessed on the following criteria (which are presented in descending importance):

- » A clear and defined summary of the concept which shows how the destination is suitable, an maybe unique, for certain activities.
- » Do students gain an insight into the destinations educational culture and community? Do they also gain an insight into contemporary research projects and practices? International networking of the students in the destination is desirable as long as it is combined with a practical task.
- » What is the sustainable effect of the trip?

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