

DAAD PRIZE 2025 AT HSD

Each year, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD – Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst) makes available funds from the Federal Foreign Office for the DAAD Prize for excellent achievements by foreign students at German universities. HSD has successfully applied for these funds.

The funding amount for the DAAD Prize is set at 1.000 EUR.

What is the DAAD Prize?

This prize is awarded to foreign students who have distinguished themselves through outstanding academic achievements and remarkable social and intercultural commitment.

Who is eligible for a DAAD Prize?

Foreign nationals who:

- have completed their school education outside Germany and are enrolled at HSD (visiting or exchange students cannot be nominated)
- are at an advanced stage of their bachelor's programme (at least the second or third year of study) or their master's programme (at least the second semester)
- have a good academic record
- have shown social and/or intercultural commitment by doing voluntary work

The prize cannot be divided between several students.

Are foreign nationals with a German school education eligible for the DAAD Prize?

No. This prize is intended solely for foreign nationals who have completed their school education outside of Germany, i.e. students of foreign nationality who have obtained their higher education entrance qualification abroad.

Can the DAAD Prize also be awarded to a graduate of HSD?

Yes, but the bachelor's / master's degree should be no more than three months past at the time of the awards ceremony (presumably mid-November).

Are scholarship holders of other organizations eligible for the DAAD Prize?

Yes, there is no reason why the nominee should not be supported by an organisation, foundation or company. However, one of the objectives of the prize is to reward those students who master their studies successfully by themselves.

Can the DAAD Award be awarded to a person who is living abroad?

No. The DAAD Prize is intended for foreign students who are enrolled at a university in Germany and are studying here.

Can the prize be awarded to the same person more than once?

No, a person can only receive the prize once.

Can foreign students apply directly to HSD for the DAAD Prize?

No. Lecturers, other HSD staff and fellow students can submit nominations for suitable candidates to the International Office.

When is the closing date for nominations?

Proposals must be submitted to HSD's International Office by **15 July 2025**.

Who selects the winner?

The International Office makes an initial selection based on the applications submitted. Their proposal is reviewed by the President's Office, who then name the winner.

How and when is the prize awarded?

The prize is awarded during the scholarship awards ceremony that HSD holds each November.

Which documents are required?

- nomination form
- appraisal by a university lecturer

Where should nominations be sent to?

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