## Latest News

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## Scholarships for Greater Equity for International Students (STIBET I Program of the DAAD) – Winter Semester 2024/25

The International Office, in cooperation with the ASH Newcomer Office, is awarding eight scholarships for greater equity at ASH Berlin. The scholarship is funded through the DAAD STIBET I Program, with funds provided by the Federal Foreign Office. Selection criteria include good academic performance (if already available) as well as financial and social challenges. The application period is open until August 27, 2024.

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## **Call for applications**

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Scholarship Period: October 2024 - February 2025 Scholarship Amount: €934 per month Payment Schedule: October (€1,868), November (€934), and December (€1,868) 2024.

## **Requirements:**

- Enrollment at ASH Berlin throughout the entire funding period in Winter Semester 2024/25 (exchange students are not eligible).
- Your university entrance qualification must have been obtained abroad, and you must not hold German citizenship.
- You must not be receiving other scholarships for the same purpose.
- During the scholarship period, your additional income must not exceed €520 (gross) per month. Otherwise, the scholarship amount will be reduced accordingly, so you receive a maximum of €1,454 per month. (Receiving BAföG or social benefits does not affect the scholarship amount, but you must inform the respective offices about the scholarship, which may result in a reduction of their payments.)

## Special Challenges in Studies (at least one of the following must be met):

• Experience as a refugee

- Disability of at least 50% or chronic illness
- Caring for minor children in your household (especially single parents)
- Caring for relatives of the 1st and 2nd degree

## **Application Documents:**

- Completed and signed application form
- Motivation letter explaining your reasons for applying and describing the special challenges you face in your studies (max. 1 page)
- CV
- Current transcript of academic records (can be submitted later at the end of Winter Semester 2024/25)
- Current enrollment certificate from ASH Berlin (can be submitted later for Winter Semester 2024/25)
- Proof of income (bank statements for all accounts for the last three months)
- Proof (in German or English) of the special challenges, such as:
  - Proof of asylum application, copy of current residence status, for refugees from third countries: copy of the last residence permit or written declaration (max. 1 page)
  - Proof of disability of at least 50% (disability ID card) or medical certificate of the disability
  - Medical certificate of chronic illness with a description of the associated limitations
  - Birth certificate(s) of the child(ren)
  - Proof of the person(s) in need of care: registration certificate showing the address of the person in need of care; birth certificate showing the relationship

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We are happy to advise you on which proofs might be useful for you or what alternatives are available, and to answer your questions before the application deadline. Please contact Viktorija Kopmane.

## Contact: kopmane@ash-berlin.eu

Please submit your complete application documents as a single PDF file by email to the ASH Newcomer Office at pre-studies@ash-berlin.eu with the subject: "Application Studies". Only complete and timely applications will be considered.

## Application Deadline: August 27, 2024.

You will receive confirmation of your application by email. There is no legal entitlement to this scholarship.

**Data Protection Information:** ASH Berlin will use your personal data solely for the purpose of the scholarship selection process and scholarship management. By submitting your application documents, you agree that your personal data may be used by Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences Berlin for the scholarship selection process and scholarship management.

## **Application form**

# Application Form: Scholarships for Greater Equity for International Students (STIBET I Program of the DAAD)

## Personal Challenges and Circumstances (multiple selections possible):

- Disability of at least 50% or chronic illness

## **Applicant Information:**

- Last Name, First Name:
- Nationality:
- Date of Birth (DD.MM.YYYY):
- Postal Address (Street, Number, Postal Code, City):
- Email:
- Matriculation Number:
- Study Program at ASH Berlin:
- Desired Degree (BA, MA):

## **Bank and Financial Information:**

- Account Holder:
- Bank Name:
- IBAN:
- BIC/SWIFT:
- Tax ID in Germany:

## **General Requirements:**

- Do you possess German citizenship?
   □ Yes □ No
- 2. Have you previously received a DAAD STIBET I scholarship (e.g., Contact Scholarship)?

 $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

3. Will you receive any other scholarships or support from other funding organizations during the funding period (October 2024 – February 2025)?
□ Yes □ No

If yes, please attach a copy of the scholarship or funding approval to this application.

4. Will you earn additional income of more than €520 per month during the funding period (October 2024 – February 2025) from a paid internship or side job?
□ Yes □ No

If yes, please attach a copy of the internship or employment contract, or proof showing the total amount of your additional income. The scholarship amount will be adjusted accordingly so that your total income (scholarship and additional earnings) does not exceed  $\notin 1,454$  per month.

5. Will you be staying outside of Germany during the funding period (see above)?
□ Yes, from (MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_ to (MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_ □ No If yes, is this a mandatory stay required by your studies?
□ Yes □ No

## **Current Financial Situation:**

Please list your income over the past 3 months (including financial support from parents/partners/family, scholarships/loans, your own earnings, e.g., income from a job/student work, government benefits from your home country or Germany, other income):

## Month Monthly Income in EUR

May 2024 June 2024 July 2024

Average monthly income (sum of monthly income divided by 3):

## **Important Notes:**

- Non-essential information may be redacted. Your data and submitted documents will be treated with strict confidentiality. ASH Berlin will use your personal data exclusively for the scholarship selection process and management of the scholarship. By submitting your application, you agree that your personal data may be used by Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences Berlin for the scholarship selection process and scholarship management.
- If you receive social benefits (citizen's income, housing benefit, etc.) or BAföG, please discuss with your respective contact person in advance whether and to what extent the scholarship will be offset against your social benefits or BAföG funding.
- If you have previously received STIBET scholarships, you can reapply; however, the previous funding months will be counted towards the maximum funding period of 12 months.

## **Declaration:**

I certify that the information provided is true and complete, and I commit to immediately informing the International Office at ASH Berlin of any changes to my personal information or financial situation during the application period or upon receiving the funds until the end of the funding period.

I am aware that any intentionally false or incomplete information, especially regarding my financial situation, may result in the loss of funding and the obligation to repay funds already disbursed.

Place, Date:	
Signature:	