

Call for applications:

Deutschland scholarship at the University of Mannheim for the academic year 2026/2027

In accordance with the Act on German Scholarship Program (StipG) and with the Statutes of the University of Mannheim on Awarding the Deutschland Scholarship (StipS), the President's Office of the University of Mannheim issues the following Call for Applications for the academic year 2026/2027 for scholarships in the funding period **from 1 August 2026 to 31 July 2027**. Each scholarship amounts to **EUR 300** per month and is funded by a private funding provider and by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), 50 percent, respectively. The scholarships are awarded to promote talent and performance. Scholarship holders will be chosen by the selection committee of the respective school of the university. Applicants will receive a notification of the decision regarding their application. A Deutschland Scholarship at the University of Mannheim can only be granted in connection with a study place at the University of Mannheim.

The number of scholarships to be awarded depends on the amount donated by private funding providers. The University of Mannheim strives to award **140 scholarships**. However, this information is subject to change. During the funding period 2025/2026, the university was able to award 146 Deutschland Scholarships.

Approximately two thirds of the scholarships will be awarded as purpose-specific scholarships for special fields or programs, depending on the preferences of the private funding providers (Cp. section 11 subsection 3(1) of StipG). The remaining scholarships will be awarded without any constraints regarding the subject of study to all students of the University of Mannheim. Taking into account purpose-specific scholarships and the respective pool of applicants, the university aims to distribute the scholarships among the schools and departments proportionally. Scholarship distribution in the funding period 2024/25 was determined as follows:

Field-specific	School/Department	Number
Scholarships without field-specific funding		70
Additional scholarships with field-specific ties by funders		76
	Business School	28
	School of Business Informatics and Mathematics	19
	Department of Economics	13
	School of Humanities	6
	Teaching Degrees	5
	School of Social Sciences	3
	Department of Law	2
Scholarships in total		146

Application

a) Who can apply for a Deutschland Scholarship?

Application for the Deutschland Scholarship is open to **enrolled students of all fields** pursuing a bachelor's, master's, or state examination degree within the standard period of study as well as **applicants for a program** at the University of Mannheim.

Only applications in due form and time containing all required documents will be considered. A late submission of the application or parts of the application is inadmissible.

According to section 4 of StipG, **double funding** is excluded. This means that the scholarship cannot be granted to applicants who already receive talent-related and performance-related material funding by the Begabtenförderungswerk (organization for the promotion of young talent), the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), the Stiftung Begabtenförderung berufliche Bildung (SBB) or other German or foreign institutions. If the total amount of the granted funding per semester does not exceed an average amount of EUR 30/month, it does not count as double funding.

For further information on double funding please visit

https://www.deutschlandstipendium.de/deutschlandstipendium/de/stipendium/downloads-und-infografiken/informationstexte/informationstexte_node.html

b) Please include the following documents in your application:

Documents	Remarks
Letter of motivation	See information in the online application form
CV	
University entrance qualification	
Current transcript of records	Including current average grade if more than 30 ECTS have been acquired; available via Portal² , section "Selfservice"
Degree certificates from previous programs	If available
Proof of notable successes, awards or honors for a national or international competition in sciences, arts or sports	Not older than 2 years
Proof of preceding employment, completed vocational trainings	Not older than 5 years ; duration: longer than 2 years (training included)
Proof of internships, occupations as working student or tutor	Not older than 5 years ; durations: 8 weeks at least; only proof which indicates the total duration and the amount of working hours will be considered
Proof of voluntary work, social or political commitment, involvement in clubs, unions or religious groups	Not older than 2 years ; duration: 4 weeks at least and 160 hours p.a. at least; please submit proof which indicates the total duration and amount of working hours if possible.

Proof of involvement in an accredited student initiative or students' association	Not older than 2 years ; duration: 4 weeks at least and 160 hours p.a. at least
Proof of acceptance of an office within the university self-administration (including university political parties)	Not older than 2 years ; duration: one semester at least
Proof of voluntary services	Not older than 5 years
If applicable: proofs of personal or family-related circumstances	See „Satzung der Universität Mannheim zur Vergabe von Deutschlandstipendien“ (Statutes of the University of Mannheim on Awarding the Deutschland Scholarship)
Proof of commitment to high-performance sports	For more than 2 years
Proof of employment during enrollment	For more than 6 months with at least 15 hours and at most 20 hours per week

c) General Advice

- **Please note that statements without respective proof will not be considered for your application.**
- It is not necessary to provide ranking or distribution curves.
- Please do not ask your teachers to provide a letter of reference for your application for the scholarship.
- Please note that it is neither necessary nor possible to submit documents after you have submitted your application, as the decision to award a Scholarship is only based on performance up to and including the fall semester of 2025/26.
- Application documents must be submitted in German or English. If documents are submitted in another language, an official translation in German or English needs to be enclosed.

d) Application Periods

Please note the different application deadlines according to study phase:

- 1. Students already enrolled at the University of Mannheim**
16 March to 4 May 2026
- 2. Candidates applying for a Master's program**
15 April to 1 June 2026
- 3. Candidates applying for a Bachelor's program**
1 June to 15 July 2026

e) Access to the Online Application Form

Applications for the Deutschland Scholarship are to be submitted electronically via the online form provided via <https://www.uni-mannheim.de/en/scholarships/deutschland-scholarship/>.

If, due to a case of hardship, an application cannot be submitted electronically, it can be submitted in written form or by declaration.