

Thesis Completion Grants

Application Guidelines

Thesis Completion Grants for international doctoral candidates are offered as part of STIBET Doktoranden, a DAAD-funded program at the University of Bremen.

Who can apply?

You are eligible to apply if

- you are an **international doctoral candidate** of the University of Bremen,
- have been accepted by the respective Doctoral Committee,
- your funding is running out in the next three months and you have **no other funding** for the relevant period,
- you are in the final phase of writing your doctoral thesis.

You can only receive funding for a thesis completion grant once in this program. Funding can only be granted until the month of thesis submission. German citizens are not eligible for funding.

How long can I receive funding and what is the scholarship amount?

You can apply for a maximum of three months to complete your doctoral thesis; the current scholarship rate is 1,200.00 Euros per month. Please note that funds are limited and we give out scholarships on a first come first served basis.

When is application possible? When is the deadline?

An application for Thesis Completion Grant can be submitted no earlier than three months before the current funding runs out. PhD candidates whose funding has already run out can apply at any time. There is no deadline.

Which documents are required for application?

Please submit the Thesis Completion Funds application form as well as a copy of your letter of acceptance by the Doctoral Committee. On the form, your supervisor has to confirm that you are in the final stage of your PhD and that no other funding is available. If you currently hold or formerly held a scholarship to fund your PhD, please also submit a copy of the scholarship certificate. If you currently have a job on the side, please provide us with your current income statement.

Please note that only complete applications are considered for funding.

Where do I send my application?

Please submit an electronic copy of your application including all documents via e-mail to the e-mail address provided below. Please send the original application form with printed copies of your documents to the address provided below.

What happens after I have submitted my application?

We usually need about three weeks to process applications. We will inform you once you have been granted a Completion Grant, in which case you will be issued letter confirming your scholarship. We will also let you know if your application is rejected. Please note that your scholarship may be revoked or reduced if you secure other forms of funding, for example if you find a new job or are granted unemployment benefits. You are obliged to inform us in such cases of new funding so we can give the grant to someone else.

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