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Gottlieb Daimler and Karl Benz Foundation: Scholarship Programme / Youth Sponsorship

Programme Description

The Gottlieb Daimler and Karl Benz Foundation was founded as an independent foundation by what is today DaimlerChrysler AG. The foundation's main principle is to promote science and research in order to shed light on the interrelations between man, environment and technology and to contribute to shaping and securing a humane future in a free society. In this context, doctoral candidates from abroad are also sponsored over a period of max. two years. During this time they receive a full scholarship of 970 euros per month and financial support for taking a German course if required. There are no restrictions regarding disciplines or countries of origin. Applicants must merely be no more than 30 years of age and have completed their most recent academic degree no more than one year ago.

Target Group

Foreign students intending to visit a German research institution for the purpose of their doctorate

Duration

A maximum duration of two years

Scholarship Value

Foreign students completing their doctorate in Germany receive 970 euros. The Foundation also grants a non-recurring allowance of up to 500.00 EUR for the journeys to and from a host institute in Europe and up to 1,000.00 EUR outside Europe. Scholarship holders from outside Germany are granted support to attend a German language course. Scholars may also apply for grants to cover part of the cost of attending and speaking at up to two conferences per year. The Foundation also finances travel expenses to Foundation events and meetings of scholarship holders.

Application Requirements

The age limit is 30 years. The most recent academic degree (Diplom or Master) should have been completed no more than 1 year before application. No follow-on and/or final completion stage financing is granted. Academics who have already financed their doctorates by means of funds from other sources for a period of over 1 year, are not eligible to apply for this programme. Applicants who have completed the last 2 years or the entire course of study outside their home country, are also not eligible. Excursions for field research, museum and archive visits, etc. without association to an academic institution as well as short stays of less than 6 months are not sponsored. The sponsorship programme is also not intended for postdoctoral stays, habilitations (qualification to teach at professorial level), Diplom or Master theses, postgraduate studies as well as study visits and practical work periods. Medical doctorates will only be sponsored if the candidate can demonstrate extensive experimental experience.

Application Papers

Foreign applicants who cannot be expected to attend an interview in Ladenburg due to the distance they would have to travel may temporarily be awarded a reduced interim scholarship of 750.00 EUR for 3 months. An allowance is offered for outward/return travel. They are permitted to begin their research project in

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Germany during this time, must however present their project at a later date within this period. Scholarships can only be definitely awarded or refused after the selection seminar and taking all presented projects into consideration. Applications can be made without specific forms. Please avoid stapling, plastic pockets, etc and printing on both sides of the paper. The following documents must be submitted in their entirety and in the order given: Brief description of and motivation for the research subject (giving title) and a project description with concrete information on the intended methodology (max. 3 pages). Any literature references should be kept to a minimum. Motivation for the choice of research topic and host institute (no more than 1 page) Planned research project financing. Any other financial support or income during and/or for the stay abroad must be declared (e.g. study fee grants, employment, partial scholarships, interim or follow-on financing, etc.). Please enclose the relevant documents. Other grants (except for study fees) or income are set off against the regular grant payment by the Foundation. Invitation letter from the receiving research institution in the host country, stating why the institution is interested in the applicant. A willingness to support the scholarship holder financially and materially should also be evident from the letter. Tabular C.V. showing scientific career development Two confidential letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes must either be appended to the application or sent separately to the Foundation. The letters of recommendation should evaluate the applicant as well as the project. They must be written on the official stationery of the institution the evaluator teaches at. Informal and unsigned letters of recommendation cannot be considered. Complete copies of examination reports/certificates (school-leaving certificate giving right of entry to higher education, study stage I, interim and leaving certificates).

Application Deadline

Applications must reach the Foundation in their entirety by 1st March or 1st October of each year. The postmark is irrelevant! Applications received after the specified date cannot be taken into consideration.