German Language Merit Scholarship| Regulations

Preamble

This merit-based scholarship rewards qualifying RWTH International Academy students who achieved a higher German language proficiency through **extracurricular** German language courses offered by the RWTH Language Center and partly or fully covers the respective fees. Applicants must be enrolled in **one of the following degree programs**:

- M.Sc. Computer Aided Conception and Production in Mechanical Engineering
- M.Sc. Management and Engineering in Computer Aided Mechanical Engineering
- M.Sc. Management and Engineering in Production Systems
- M.Sc. Robotic Systems Engineering
- M.Sc. Smart Production Engineering
- M.Sc. Textile Engineering
- MPA European Studies
- M.Sc. Resilient Civil Engineering
- M.Sc. Battery Systems Engineering

§ 1 | Principles and Conditions

a) The scholarship is only available for students during the **regular study period plus an additional two semesters** of their master's degree program. The course must be **extracurricular**, i.e. not count towards the applicant's study requirements.

b) The scholarship can be awarded **up to and including the completion of a C1.2 German level.** Students are only eligible for the scholarship if they **successfully passed** the German course (grade 4.0 or better). Only German language courses offered by the RWTH Language Center will be considered, external institutes are excluded. Students can **apply only once for each level/half level.** Repeat courses are not eligible.

c) The scholarship consists of a one-time payment that partly or fully covers the fees for the qualifying German language course. The extent of the refund corresponds to the grade the student achieved in the qualifying German language course:

Grades 1.0 to 1.7: full scholarship
Grades 2.0 to 4.0: 50%-scholarship

Students can only receive the scholarship if they do not have any liabilities with RWTH International Academy. If liabilities exist, the scholarship amount will be fully or partially settled with any outstanding amounts, depending on the individual case.

§ 2 | Required application documents and details

A **complete application** consists of the following documents:

a) **Course certificate** (*Leistungsnachweis*) of the respective German language course referred to in the application, **issued by the RWTH Language Center**

b) **Payment confirmation** (*Zahlungsbeleg*) stating the course title and the course fees, stamped and signed by RWTH Language Center. SEPA direct mandates or screenshots of bank statements will not be considered.

c) **Transcript of Records** (*Notenspiegel*) showing that the student's curricular language course modules have been completed

d) **Language course certificates for all language courses** that were part of the curriculum, issued by RWTH Language Center

Applications must be submitted as PDF-files through the Online Application Portal.
Students may apply for this scholarship between**:**

15 April and 30 April for German language courses completed in the preceding winter semester
15 October and 30 October for German language courses completed in the preceding summer semester

Applications

- received after these semester-related deadlines **and/or**
- submitted by means other than the application portal

will not be considered. This also applies to applications that are not complete. It is the applicant's own responsibility to submit a complete and comprehensible application.

All applications will be evaluated **after** the application deadline. All applicants will be **informed about the result by e-mail.**

§ 3 | Escape Clause

The possibility to award this scholarship is dependent on the financial capital available in RWTH International Academy's student fund. There is **no legal basis for students to claim this scholarship**.

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The Scholarships Committee of RWTH International Academy