

RWTH International Academy Outstanding Performance Award (OPA)

Conditions and Regulations | Effective as of 02 December 2022

Preamble

This scholarship was created to enable high potential participants of the [German Engineering College](#) (GEC) of RWTH International Academy to consecutively pursue a Master's degree program in engineering, at RWTH Aachen University, offered by RWTH International Academy.

The OPA Grant will be awarded after completion of one of the above-mentioned qualification programs and comes into force with the successful admission to one of the following Master's degree programs:

- (1) [M. Sc. Computer Aided Conception and Production in Mechanical Engineering](#)
- (2) [M. Sc. Management and Engineering in Computer Aided Mechanical Engineering](#)
- (3) [M. Sc. Management and Engineering in Production Systems](#)
- (4) [M. Sc. Robotic Systems Engineering](#)
- (5) [M. Sc. Smart Production Engineering](#)
- (6) [M. Sc. Textile Engineering](#)
- (7) [M.Sc. Resilient Civil Engineering](#)
- (8) [M.Sc. Battery Systems Engineering](#)

§ 1 Principles

- (1) This scholarship covers 50% of the tuition fees charged by RWTH International Academy for one of the above-mentioned Master's degree programs.
- (2) This scholarship does not cover living expenses, study materials, travel allowances, or any other expenses that may be associated with and/or incurred during the study program.
- (3) The awardee becomes a member of RWTH International Academy Fellows Network. RWTH IntAc Fellows are part of an exclusive network and:
 - a) encourage student mobility within Germany and their country of origin
 - b) contribute to the RWTH IntAc Fellows Network
 - c) promote RWTH International Academy's M.Sc. programs in engineering within their peer networks and act as ambassador between their undergraduate universities and RWTH International Academy
 - d) proactively organize and contribute to the marketing initiatives of RWTH International Academy and co-host online seminars
 - e) represent the RWTH IntAc Fellows officially at events held by RWTH Aachen University and RWTH International Academy

§ 2 Eligibility

- (1) Participants of the GEC Compact the GEC Co-Study (also known as 4+2 program) who have successfully passed all exams of the respected qualification program at the first attempt, are eligible for the scholarship.
- (2) Participants of the GEC On-Campus (also known as 3+1+2 program) who have successfully passed the exams of the modules "Mechanics III", "Mathematics III" and "Machine Design II" and performed outstanding in the integrated program internship, are eligible for the scholarship.
- (3) A cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher is required (converted to the German grading system) from all participants of the GEC Compact the GEC Co-Study (also known as 4+2 program).

- (4) Students who already receive funding or a scholarship for the required tuition fees are not eligible.

§ 3 Required Application Documents

A complete scholarship application consists of:

- Letter of intent for the scholarship (500 words)
- Certificate of completion of the GEC

§ 4 Application Regulations and Selection Process

- (1) Scholarship applications must be submitted and uploaded through the online platform provided by RWTH International Academy.
- (2) In your letter of intent, you should specify your motivation for applying for this scholarship. Your letter of intent should follow a clear, logical structure. You should answer the following questions in an engaging and creative manner:

"As a OPA Grant awardee, how do you intend to contribute to growing our network of international students? What would you do to serve as an ambassador between RWTH International Academy and your undergraduate university?"

- (3) The evaluation process does include multiple rounds. Participants will be informed about the decision for the OPA Grant along with their admission offer for one of the above mentioned Master's degree programs.
- (4) When this scholarship is awarded, the scholarship agreement will be integrated into the RWTH International Academy's participation agreement for one of the above-mentioned Master's degree programs.

§ 5 Escape clause

The awarding of this scholarship is dependent on the availability of the financial capital of the RWTH International Academy student fund. There is no legal basis for students to claim the scholarship.

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