

German Language Merit Scholarship Conditions and Regulations | Effective as of 1 October 2019

Preamble

This merit-based scholarship was created to reward qualifying RWTH International Academy students who pursue a higher German proficiency through extracurricular German courses offered by the RWTH Language Center.

It is intended for students who are studying in one of the following RWTH International Academy's Master's degree programs in their regular study period:

- (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 Electrical Power Systems,
- (4) M. Sc. Management and Engineering in Structural Engineering and Risk Management of Industrial Facilities,
- (5) M. Sc. Management and Engineering in Production Systems,
- (6) M. Sc. Production Systems Engineering,
- (7) M. Sc. Robotic Systems Engineering,
- (8) M. Sc. Textile Engineering.

§ 1 Principles

The scholarship partly or fully covers the fees for an extracurricular German course at the RWTH Language Center within the regular study duration of the student's respective M.Sc. program. The student will be awarded an amount corresponding to their grade achieved in the German course.

§ 2 Required qualification of the student

1. The scholarship is only available for students during their regular study period of their Master's degree program.
2. Only extracurricular German language courses can be considered.
3. Students can only apply for the scholarship once they have cleared their curricular German language requirement.
4. The scholarship is awarded up to the completion of B2.2 German level.
5. Only German language courses offered by the RWTH Language Center can be considered for the scholarship. External institutes are excluded.
6. The following semester courses qualify:
 - 4 SWS course (half a level; e.g. B1.1)
 - 8 SWS course (a full level; e.g. B1)

When choosing the 8 SWS option carefully reflect whether the workload fits into your overall schedule.
7. Specialization modules of 2 SWS (e.g. Conversation modules) do not qualify for this scholarship.
8. Students are only eligible for the scholarship if they successfully passed the German course (grade 4,0 or above).
9. Students can apply only once for each level/half level. Repeat courses are not eligible.
10. Students who terminate their enrollment at RWTH Aachen University pre-maturely or before the completion of their degree, can only be considered for the scholarship in well-founded cases.
11. Students can only receive the scholarship if they do not have any liabilities with RWTH International Academy.

§ 3 Required application documents

A complete scholarship application consists of:

- Completed online application form from RWTH International Academy
- German course grade certificate, issued by the RWTH Language Center
- Stamped and signed payment confirmation stating course fees, issued by the RWTH Language Center
- Proof that curricular German course requirement in the M.Sc. program is fulfilled. Depending on the program, this can be a placement test or RWTH language center certificate.
- Optional: Copy of any other official German Language Certificates (e.g. Goethe, TELC).

§ 4 Merit-based scholarship gradation

Students may receive a partial scholarship amount up to a full coverage of the German course fees. The extent of the scholarship is directly linked to the student's performance, i.e. grade achieved in the qualifying German course:

- Very good to good performance (1,0 to 2,3): full scholarship
- Satisfactory to sufficient performance (2,7 to 4,0): 75%-scholarship

§ 5 Duration

The scholarship consists of a one-time payment that fully or partly covers the German course fees depending on the achieved grade as mentioned under §4.

§ 6 Deadlines

The following deadlines for submission of sponsorship applications apply:

- 30 March for German language courses completed in the immediate previous winter semester.
- 30 September for German language courses completed in the immediate previous summer semester.

Applications received after these semester-related deadlines or for German language courses completed in earlier semesters, i.e. more than one semester ago, will not be considered.

§ 7 Registration process

Applications are only accepted through the [online portal](http://www.glms.academy-rwth.de) (www.glms.academy-rwth.de) between January 15 and March 30 (winter semester courses) or July 15 and September 30 (summer semester courses). Only complete applications are assessed - it is the student's responsibility to submit a complete and comprehensible application.

All applications are assessed after the respective application deadline. Students will be notified about the outcome by 30 April (deadline 30 March) or 30 October (deadline 30 September).

§ 8 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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