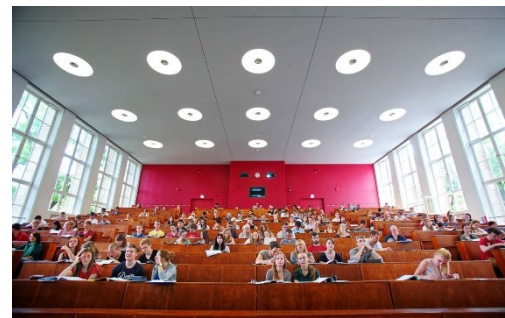
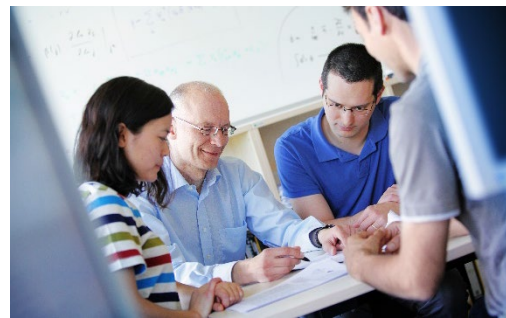


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# Web seminar

## Funding Programs of the Graduate Academy & TU Dresden

Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021



# Web seminar Funding Programs of the GA &TUD

## Contents of the event



- Graduate Academy at a glance
- PhD & Postdoc funding programs
- 10 minutes break -
- Funding programs for mobility and networks
- Information about our consulting services

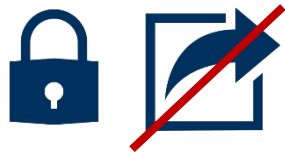
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# Graduate Academy of TU Dresden

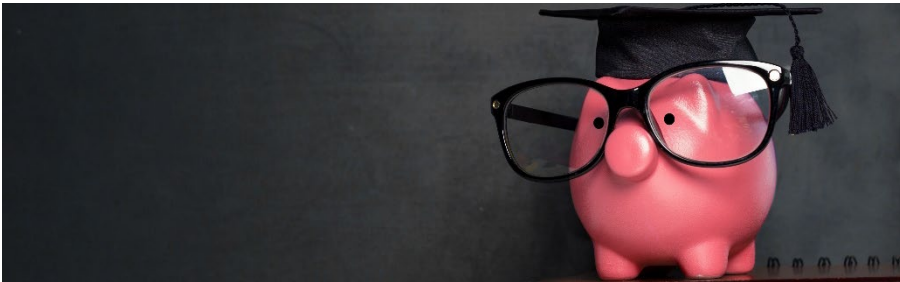
## At a Glance



- Central scientific unit of the TU Dresden and part of TUD's administration
- Own house on the central campus as a central point of contact and meeting place
- Open to all doctoral candidates and their supervisors as well as to all postdocs
- Founded in 2013 (Excellence Initiative)
- Currently about 2,350 members
- Since 2020 **Postdoc Center - HZDR - TUD**

# Graduate Academy

## Offers and Services



- **Qualification program** designed for young researchers:
  - Skills for Scientific Research | GSP
  - Science Communication
  - Professional in Science | Research Management
  - Management & Leadership
  - Career Development
- **Advice and information** before, during and after the Doctorate
- Individual **Coaching**
- **Funding programs**
- **GA Writing Lab**, including writing advisory service, workshops and workspace
- **Events** providing the opportunity for interdisciplinary exchange and networking (e.g. GA PhD Day)

# Graduate Academy Membership

Voluntary membership upon application:

- **Doctoral candidate**  
accepted by one of TU Dresden's Faculties
- **Supervisor**  
at least one of his/her supervised doctoral candidates  
must be member of the Graduate Academy
- **Postdoc**  
employment/scholarship at TU Dresden
- **Associated membership**
  - doctoral candidates and postdocs engaged in  
collaborative projects with the TU Dresden,  
i.e. joint doctoral programs
  - postdocs more than six years after the conclusion of  
their doctorate





# Graduate Academy

## Overview of the funding programs of TU Dresden and Graduate Academy

Specifically for the POSTDOC PHASE & HABILITATION	Postdoc Starter Kit	
	Maria Reiche Postdoctoral Fellowships	
	Back-to-Research Grants for PhD Students & Postdocs	
Specifically for the PHD	Grants for the Funding of Young Scientists during the Completion & Wrap-up Phase of the PhD	
	Maria Reiche Doctoral Fellowships	
	Saxon Scholarship Program for Doctoral Studies	
	Proofreading Services	
MOBILITY & NETWORKS	Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays & Summer/Winter Schools Abroad	
	Travel Awards for Conferences, Congresses, Symposia & Workshops	
	Lab2Lab	

# Graduate Academy

## Membership

### » When is the GA Membership relevant for the eligibility?

At the time of application a GA membership is not required for:

- Saxon Scholarship Program for Doctoral Studies
- Maria Reiche Doctoral Fellowships
- Maria Reiche Postdoctoral Fellowships
- Back-to-Research Grants for PhD Students & Postdocs

At the time of application a GA membership is required for:

- GA-Grants for the Funding of Young Scientists during the Completion & Wrap-up Phase of the Doctorate
- GA-Travel Awards for Conferences, Congresses, Symposia & Workshops
- GA-Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays & Summer/Winter Schools Abroad
- Lab2Lab
- GA-Proofreading Service
- Postdoc Starter Kit



# Funding Programs

## Specifically for the PhD

- Saxon Scholarship Program for Doctoral Studies
- Maria Reiche Doctoral Fellowships
- Grants for the Funding of Young Scientists during the Completion & Wrap-up Phase of the Doctorate
- Back-to-Research Grants for PhD Students & Postdocs
- Proofreading Service



# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PHD

## Saxon Scholarship Program for Doctoral Studies



### » Aim of the program:

The Free State of Saxony provides funding for the promotion of PhD students of the TU Dresden.

### » Duration of funding:

- awarded for a period of three years
- extension for one more year is possible

### » Extent of funding:

- monthly grant rate: **EUR 1,350**
- if applicable, a monthly family allowance of EUR 100 per child
- special allowances for material and travel expenses as well as for the costs of a research stay abroad: EUR 1,500

### » Application deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022



# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PHD

## Maria Reiche Doctoral Fellowships



### » Aim of the program:

The TU Dresden promotes with the Maria Reiche Doctoral Fellowships (without Faculty of Medicine) (prospective) female doctoral candidates with a full scholarship for up to 3 years.

### » Duration of funding:

- maximum 3 years
- extension not possible

### » Extent of funding:

- monthly grant rate: EUR 1,365
- if applicable, a family allowance of EUR 400 for the first and EUR 100 for each additional child.

### » Application deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022





# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PHD Completion & Wrap-up Grants for Doctoral Candidates



## » Aim of the program:

Supporting doctoral candidates during the final stage and wrap-up phase of their doctorate.

## » Eligibility:

Eligible are doctoral candidates in the final stage/wrap-up phase of their doctorate, whose current financial support (e.g. scholarships, work contracts and/or third party funding) has expired.





# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PHD

## Completion & Wrap-up Grants for Doctoral Candidates



### » Duration of funding:

- maximum 3 months

#### Completion Grant

**Start of funding:** max. 3 months before submission of the dissertation

**Duration of funding:** max. 3 months

### » Extent of funding:

- monthly grant for doctoral candidates: **EUR 1,365**  
[exception Dr. med.: 861 EUR]
- monthly grant for postdoctoral candidates : **EUR 1,750**
- if applicable, a family allowance of EUR 400 for the first and EUR 100 for each additional child.

#### Completion & Wrap-up Grant

**Start of funding:** At least one month before the planned defense

**Duration of funding:** max. 3 months

#### Wrap-up Grant

**Start of funding:** from the defense/  
rigorosum

**Duration of funding :** up to 2 months  
after defense

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PHD Completion & Wrap-up Grants for Doctoral Candidates



## » Funding Periods & Application Deadlines:

- **30<sup>th</sup> September 2021:**

Funding period: 1<sup>st</sup> January until 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022

- **31<sup>st</sup> March 2022:**

Funding period: 1<sup>st</sup> July until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

**Please note** in case of grant approval: Postponement of the funding period only possible within the eligible period.

### Info!

- ✓ Sideline activities with a maximum of 10 hours per week are allowed
- ✓ 1 short-term grant per PhD phase

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PHD Completion & Wrap-up Grants for Doctoral Candidates



## » Application documents :

- Signed and scanned copy of the online application form
- Curriculum vitae
- Description of research project incl. a time and work schedule for the requested funding period
- 2 letters of recommendation
- **Additional document** for funding applications **including the wrap-up phase** of the doctorate (after successful passing of the rigorosum/defense): Letter of Intent and Confirmation of Financial Need of the host professorship/institution

The application has to be submitted only electronically, within the deadline and as **one PDF** (exception: Letters of Recommendation) via e-mail to **graduertenakademie@tu-dresden.de** with the subject "Completion & Wrap-up Grants".

The application can be submitted in **German or English**.

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD & Habilitation

## Back-to-Research Grants



### » Aim of the program:

The Free State of Saxony provides funding for

- Back-to-Research Grants for doctoral/postdoctoral research projects after a family-related interruption (Program line 1)
- Back-to-Research Grants for the resumption of scientific work of female postdocs to initiate an appointment to an university position (Program line 2)

### » Application deadlines:

- **30<sup>th</sup> September 2021**  
Earliest start of grant: 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022
- **31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**  
Earliest start of grant: 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022





# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD & Habilitation

## Back-to-Research Grants | Program line 1



### Back-to-Research Grants for doctoral/postdoctoral research projects after a family-related interruption (Program line 1)

#### » Eligibility:

Eligible are:

- + Researchers, who return to academia after having intermitted their scientific career at an advanced stage (for at least nine months) due to family commitments, to complete their doctorate and habilitation. The thesis has to be already at an advanced stage.
- + Researchers, who completed in case of a doctoral project the last university degree with an overall grade of at least „good“ and in case of a habilitation project the doctorate have been assessed at least with „magna cum laude“.
- + PhD students, who are not older than 37 and postdocs, who are not older than 42 years.

Not eligible are:

- Researchers, who are already publicly funded otherwise.
- Researchers, with sideline activities of more than 10 hours per week

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD & Habilitation

## Back-to-Research Grants | Program line 1



### » Duration of funding:

- scholarship funding ends with the month in which the dissertation/habilitation thesis is submitted, maximum funding period of 12 months
- extension of funding up to six additional months is possible

### » Extent of funding:

- monthly grant rate for doctoral candidates: **EUR 985**
- monthly grant rate for habilitation candidates : **EUR 1,285**
- if applicable, a monthly family allowance of EUR 100 per child

#### Sideline activities

- Sideline activities with a maximum of 10 hours per week allowed
- The sideline activities have to be related to the PhD project and serve the purpose of the scholarship
- Minor teaching activity is permitted
  - 2 hours per week for doctorates
  - 4 hours a week for habilitations

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD & Habilitation

## Back-to-Research Grants | Program line 2



### Back-to-Research Grants for the resumption of scientific work of female postdocs to initiate an appointment to an university position (Program line 2)

#### » Eligibility:

Eligible are:

- + Female postdocs who return to academia after they have gained at least 3 years of qualified professional experience outside academia/university. The overall aim has to be gaining an appointment to an university position
- + Researchers, who completed the doctorate at least with „magna cum laude“.
- + Female postdocs, who are not older than 40 years.

#### » Duration of funding:

- maximum of 6 months

#### » Extent of funding:

- monthly grant rate for habilitation candidates : **EUR 1,285**
- if applicable, a monthly family allowance of EUR 100 per child

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD & Habilitation

## Back-to-Research Grants



### » Application:

- Submission of the application **only via regular mail** to: Graduate Academy of TU Dresden
- Submission of the application **only in German**
- Signed copy of the **online proposal form**

#### Program line 1

- ✓ 2 letters of recommendation
- ✓ Statement of the faculty

#### Program line 2

- ✓ Proof on a professional experience outside the university sector of at least three years
- ✓ Letter of intent to host the applicant and confirmation of financial need of the host professorship/institution

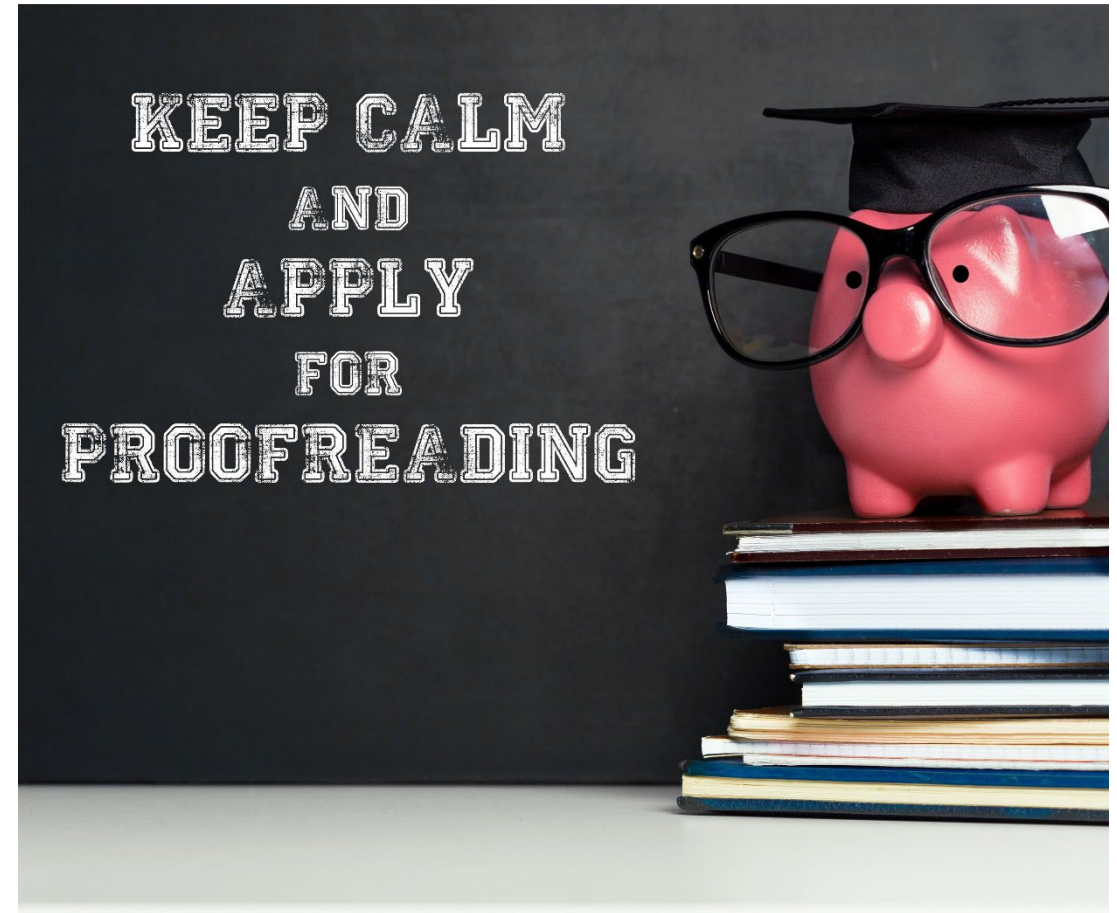


# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD Grants for Proofreading Services



## » Aim of the program:

This grant aims to support the international visibility of the research achievements of doctoral candidates. For this purpose the Graduate Academy of TU Dresden grants allowances for proofreading services (German or English) for foreign-language publications from doctoral candidates of TU Dresden.



# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD Grants for Proofreading Services



## » Eligibility:

- + Eligible are doctoral candidates of TU Dresden of all faculties
- + If the proofreading service is for joint publications, the applicant has to be at least secondary author.

## » Application deadline: Applications can be submitted at any time

## » Maximum funding: maximum EUR 200.00

Please note:

- ✓ Allowances can only be requested before the actual utilization of the proofreading service.
- ✓ The original invoice must be submitted to the Graduate Academy no later than four months after the positive decision.

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD Grants for Proofreading Services



## » Extent of funding:

The following types of publications, related to the doctorate, can be submitted:

- ✓ special chapters of the dissertation (release version to be submitted to a publishing house)
- ✓ article (full paper)
- ✓ extended abstracts
- ✓ exposés
- ✓ essays
- ✓ reviews in journals
- ✓ articles in compilations
- ✓ conference papers
- ✓ publications in connection with exhibits



# Funding Programs | Specifically for the PhD Grants for Proofreading Services



## » Application:

- The application is submitted
    - ✓ electronically
    - ✓ as **one PDF**
- via e-mail to [graduiertenakademie@tu-dresden.de](mailto:graduiertenakademie@tu-dresden.de) with the subject "Proofreading Service".

## » Application documents:

- Application form
- Tabular resume (CV) incl. list of publications
- Text for proofreading

## » Awarding criteria:

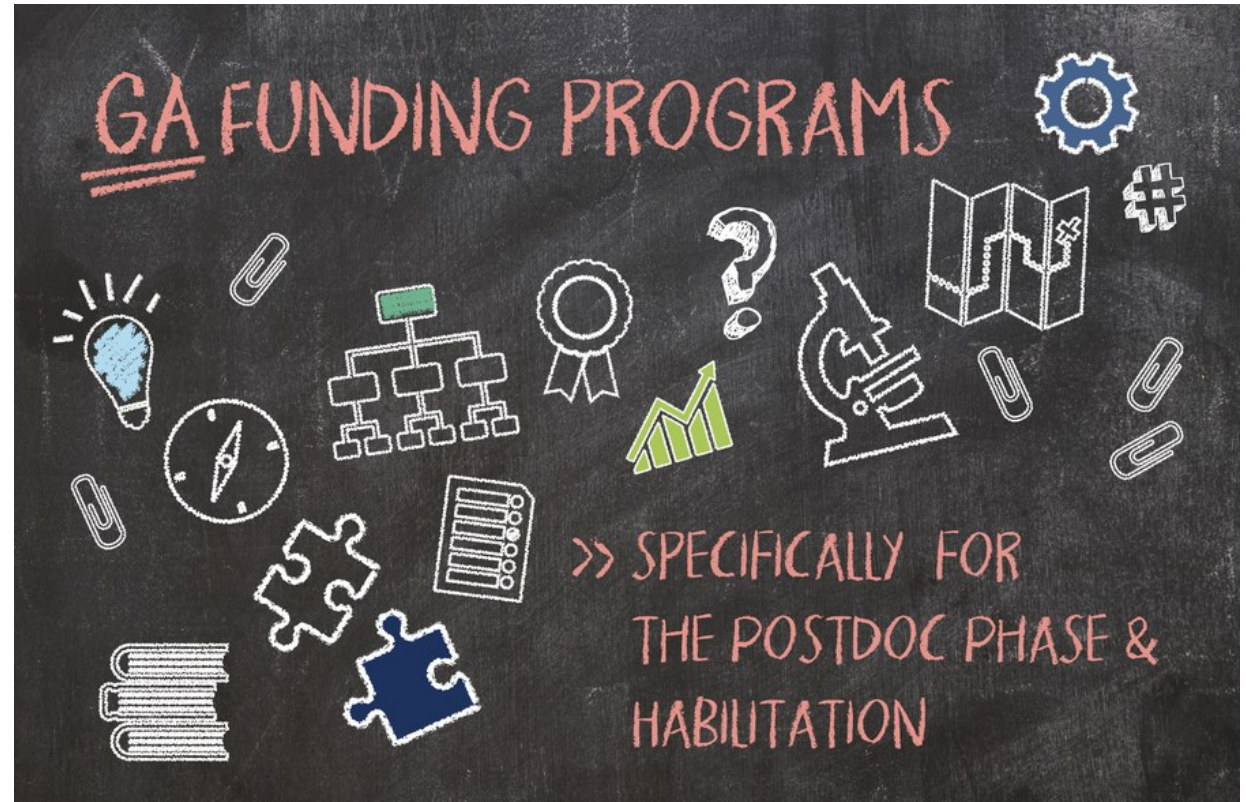
- Importance of the publication for the doctorate / academic career
- Reputation of the journal, book series, conference, exhibition etc.
- Necessity of proofreading
- Previous funding of the applicant for the use of proofreading services (plurality demand)

A fundamental legal right to claim an allowance for proofreading services does not exist.

# Funding Programs

Specifically for the Postdoc phase & Habilitation

- **Maria Reiche  
Postdoctoral  
Fellowships**
- **Postdoc Starter Kit**





# Funding Programs | Specifically for the Postdoc phase & Habilitation

## Maria Reiche Postdoctoral Fellowships

### » Aim of the program:

Support of excellent female postdocs in their intention to independently acquire a third-party funded project in order to qualify for a scientific career at the TU Dresden with the goal of becoming a professor.

### » Duration of funding:

- awarded for a period up to 24 months

### » Extent of funding:

- monthly grant rate: **EUR 2,670**
- if applicable, a monthly family allowance of EUR 400 for the first and EUR 100 for each additional child
- Maria Reiche Starter Kit: max. EUR 10,000

### » Application deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022



# Funding Programs | Specifically for the Postdoc phase & Habilitation

## Postdoc Starter Kit



### » Aim of the program:

The aim of the **Postdoc Starter Kit** program is to support outstanding early career researchers (postdocs) at an early stage in their research career in developing and sharpening their scientific profile and to qualify them for further scientific career paths.

### » Application deadline & start of funding:

- **30<sup>th</sup> September 2021**  
Start of funding: between 01<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022



# Funding Programs | Specifically for the Postdoc phase & Habilitation

## Postdoc Starter Kit



### » Eligibility:

- Postdocs of TU Dresden with a full membership at the Graduate Academy according to the current rules and regulations of the Graduate Academy with
- at least 6 months of contract duration in the requested funding period

» **Extent of funding:** maximum EUR 10,000 per project for maximum 24 months

» **Type of funding:** In order to develop an independent scientific profile, postdocs are supported with a variety of measures, for example:

- Developing collaborations and participating in conferences
- Consumables and publication costs
- Invitation of international guest speakers
- Organization of scientific events
- Personnel funds for student assistants (SHK)
- Participation in demand-oriented professional and multi-disciplinary training

# Funding Programs | Specifically for the Postdoc phase & Habilitation

## Postdoc Starter Kit



### » Application documents

- Confirmation of participation in a coaching session for professional assessment at the Graduate Academy
- A signed and scanned copy of the online application form
- Tabular resume
- Copy of the doctoral certificate
- Outline of the academic development plan
- Cost calculation per requested funding year (overview)
- Letter of support from your superior

The application has to be submitted only electronically, within the deadline and as **one PDF** (exception: Letter of Support) via e-mail to **graduertenakademie@tu-dresden.de** with the subject "Postdoc Starter Kit".

The application can be submitted in **German or English**.

### Important!

Professional assessment coachings will take place between **05<sup>th</sup> July 2021** and **24<sup>th</sup> September 2021**. Please make an appointment via e-mail at [graduertenakademie@tu-dresden.de](mailto:graduertenakademie@tu-dresden.de) with the subject "Postdoc Starter Kit - Professional assessment coaching".

# General Information: Selection Process Scholarships

## » Selection Process:

- By the Executive Committee of the GA & if applicable the Equal Opportunities Officer of the TU Dresden *(depending on the program; Maria Reiche Postdoctoral Fellowships Selection Committee )*
- In a competitive selection process

## » Selection Criteria (Long-term & Short-term Grants):

- Resume - qualification of the applicant (academic performance, publications, prizes/awards)
- Quality of the research project / outline of the academic development plan
- Quality of the letters of recommendation / letter of support
- Letter of motivation
- Social criteria (e.g. children, family members in need of care)
- Plus additional criteria named in the call for applications



# General Information: Application documents

## Scholarships

- Application documents to be submitted: see call for applications, website and FAQ for further information
- GA funding programs: applications via **e-mail only as one digital PDF** file to [graduertenakademie@tu-dresden.de](mailto:graduertenakademie@tu-dresden.de) with the subject „XXX (name of funding program)“
- Back-to-research Grant: Submission of the application exclusively via regular mail and in German language to the Graduate Academy
- Incomplete applications or delayed applications cannot be considered in the selection process (→ formal rejection)
- No legal claim for funding!



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# Funding Programs

## Mobility & Networks

- Travel Awards for Congresses, Conferences, Symposia and Workshops
- Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays and Summer/Winter Schools Abroad
- Lab2Lab



# Funding Programs | Mobility & Networks

## Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays and Summer/ Winter Schools Abroad



### » Aim of the program:

Supporting doctoral candidates and postdocs with travel allowances for short-term research stays and summer/winter schools abroad.

### » Eligibility:

Eligible are doctoral candidates and postdocs of all faculties of the TU Dresden

### » Duration of funding:

Short-term research stays: max. 3 months & min. 2 weeks





# Funding Programs | Mobility & Networks

## Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays and Summer/ Winter Schools Abroad



### » Type of funding:

Research stay support of:

- experimental work
- fieldwork
- library and archival research
- expertise exchange
- acquisition of new knowledge and skills

### » Funding Periods & Application Deadlines:

- **30<sup>th</sup> September 2021:**  
Funding period: 1<sup>st</sup> October until 30<sup>th</sup> June
- **31<sup>st</sup> March 2022:**  
Funding period: 1<sup>st</sup> April until 31<sup>st</sup> December

*Please note!*

*In case of grant approval:  
Postponement of the funding  
period only possible within  
the eligible period.*

# Funding Programs | Mobility & Networks

## Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays and Summer/ Winter Schools Abroad



### » Extent of funding:

- Maximum funding amount of:
  - ✓ EUR 3,000 per research stay  
(max. EUR 1,000 per research month)
  - ✓ EUR 1,000 for the participation in a summer/winter school
- **childcare allowance** for children accompanying the applicant during the **research stay abroad**
  - ✓ max. EUR 500 on the basis of evidence  
(for the entire duration of the research stay)

### Please note!

- ✓ SächsRKG – Reimbursement process: application form for travel trips and respective reimbursement form
- ✓ Only one application for a Travel Grant is possible per application deadline

# Funding Programs | Mobility & Networks

## Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays and Summer/ Winter Schools Abroad



### » Application documents:

- Application form with outline of the added value and relevance of the research stay/participation in the summer/winter school for your doctorate/research
- Summary of your research project including a work and time schedule
- Letter of invitation from the host institution (or equivalent) for the research stays abroad
- Confirmation of participation of the summer/winter school (can be handed in later)
- 1 Letter of recommendation

# Funding Programs | Mobility & Networks

## Travel Awards for Congresses, Conferences, Symposia and Workshops



### » Aim of the program:

Supporting doctoral candidates and postdocs with travel allowances for congresses, conferences, symposia and workshops within Germany and abroad

### » Eligibility:

Eligible are doctoral candidates and postdocs of all faculties of the TU Dresden

Funding is provided for active participation at events in the form of a poster contribution and/or a presentation.





# Funding Programs | Mobility & Networks

## Travel Awards for Congresses, Conferences, Symposia and Workshops



### » Extent of funding:

Maximum funding amount per event:

- EUR 300 for the participation in events within Germany
- EUR 500 for the participation in events within Europe
- EUR 1,000 for the participation in events outside of Europe

### » Funding Periods & Application Deadlines:

- **30<sup>th</sup> September 2021:**  
Funding period: 1<sup>st</sup> October until 30<sup>th</sup> June
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# Funding Programs | Mobility & Networks

## Travel Awards for Congresses, Conferences, Symposia and Workshops



### » Application documents:

- Online-Application form with outline of the added value and relevance of the participation in the applied event for your doctorate/research
- Abstract (incl. "TU Dresden" in the author's address, can be handed in later)
- Copy of the acceptance of your participation and contribution (can be handed in later)
- Program of the event (can be handed in later)
- 1 letter of recommendation



## » Aim of the program:

Promotion of the exchange and joint cooperation of early-career researchers on the basis of international cooperation between working groups (AGs).

## » Application Deadlines & Start of Funding:

- **30<sup>th</sup> September 2021**  
Start of funding: between 01<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022
- **31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**  
Start of funding: between 01<sup>st</sup> July and 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022





## » Eligibility

Professors of TU Dresden together with a professor from the working group abroad and an early-career researcher (doctoral candidate or postdoc) as the main contact person within the working group at TU Dresden.

In order to be eligible for a project application, you have to fulfill the following requirements:

- The project application has to be a joint request.
- A cooperation between the working groups has to exist already (demonstrated by, e.g. first contact initiation, joint publications, cooperation agreements)
- At least one early-career researcher from each working group must be involved in the project. Level and type of participation may vary depending on the individual needs.
- At least one doctoral candidate or postdoc of TU Dresden has to be involved in the project as a main applying contact and has to travel.





## » Extent of funding:

maximum EUR 10,000 per project application for 18 months

## » Type of funding:

Multiple projects can be funded per application!

- **The mandatory module** for all project applications is a research stay of a doctoral candidate or postdoc of the TU Dresden in the working group abroad (outgoing; minimum two weeks up to maximum three months)
- Further **flexible modules** can be added to the project application:
  - Research stays of further doctoral candidates and/or postdocs of the participating working groups (incoming and outgoing; up to maximum three months)
  - Joint meetings of the partner groups, organized by the involved early career researches, at TU Dresden or abroad (maximum five days).



### » Application documents:

- Application form
- Per project member a CV
- Description of the project
- Work and time schedules of the individual short-term research stays and/or meetings requested
- Written confirmation letter on the project cooperation submitted by the international partner(s)
- Calculation of costs per eligible module

# General Information: Selection Process

## Mobility Grants

### » Selection Process:

- By the Executive Committee of the GA
- In a competitive selection process

### » Selection Criteria:

- Qualification of the applicant (academic performance, publications, prizes/awards)
- Quality of the research project/benefit of the participation in the e.g. applied event for the research project
- Quality of the letter of recommendation
- Social criteria (e.g. children, family members in need of care)



# General Information: Application documents

## Mobility Grants

- Application documents to be submitted: see call for applications, website and FAQ for further information
  - The application has to be submitted:
    - ✓ electronically
    - ✓ within the deadline and
    - ✓ as **one PDF-file** (exception: Letter of recommendation)
- via e-mail to **graduertenakademie@tu-dresden.de** with the subject “Name of the funding program”.
- Incomplete applications or delayed applications cannot be considered in the selection process (formal rejection)
  - No legal claim for funding!

# General Information

## Advice & Service



### Advice on funding opportunities:

- Mondays, 1.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.  
(upon appointment)

### Workshop GA Money Monday (online, in German):

- Promotionsförderung: Wie und wo?  
Ausschreibungen verstehen und  
Förderanträge meistern  
06. September 2021,  
GA, 9.00 Uhr – 15.00 Uhr



# Thank you very much for your attention!



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