

Sandwich Model Fellowships for Ph. D. Registered Scholars**Aim:**

Registered Ph.D. students at an Indian university / institute carry out research for their PhD thesis in India and in Germany under the joint supervision of an Indian as well as a German professor. Ph.D. degree to be awarded by Indian University / Institution

Target Group:

Scholars registered for their Ph. D. (in any discipline) at universities or research institutes in India.

Duration:

1 year

Scholarship value:

- Stipend of Euro 1000.00 per month
- A lump sum towards air fare from India to Germany and back
- Exemption from payment of university tuition fees
- A study and research subsidy
- Compulsory health insurance covered by DAAD
- 2 months German Language Course in India - free tuition*
- 4 months German Language Course in Germany - free tuition, boarding, lodging plus pocket allowance during the period of the German language course in Germany (preceding studies/research)
- Spouse allowance** and additional rent subsidy***
- Supervisor's travel (see appendix)

Requirements & Conditions:

- A first class Master's degree
- The Ph. D. registration with a university in India should not be older than 3 years at the application deadline (1st October)
- Candidates must have a recent dated acceptance letter jointly signed by the Indian and the German supervisors confirming academic supervision from a German Professor on the university's letterhead with a clear reference to the candidate's research project
- A detailed and comprehensive research proposal accompanied by a precise work - and time schedule jointly agreed upon by the Indian and the German supervisors
- Candidates must be residing in India at the time of application
- German language skills are not mandatory for application****

Documents:

To be arranged in the order mentioned below

- 2 application forms with a passport-size photograph attached to each form. Please ensure that you have signed both forms before sending them to us.
- 2 typed copies of full curriculum-vitae (bio-data)
- 2 copies of the confirmation jointly signed by the Indian and the German supervisor where the German professor states his / her willingness to guide the Ph. D. studies
- 2 typed copies of the detailed and comprehensive research proposal must be accompanied by a precise work - and time schedule agreed upon by both the Indian and the German supervisors
- 2 references from senior academics from the applicant's field of study/research on the proforma available on our website. The referee's title and academic status should be clearly indicated in this (with official rubber-stamp). These should be Confidential (in sealed envelopes) and should be recent-dated
- 2 typed copies of list of academic publications, if any; 1 set of available reprints, if any
- 2 copies of all chronologically arranged academic certificates and mark-sheets (all copies must be attested; attested English translation, if the originals are in Hindi; Attestation can be done by a gazetted Government officer).

Application Procedure:

The application submission process is online. The link is available on our website.

The deadline for submission of applications is 1st October of each year.

Important: DAAD will not consider incomplete applications.

All short-listed candidates have to attend a personal interview.

Timeline

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| • Announcement | July/August 2009 |
| • Application deadline | 1 st October 2009 |
| • Selection Interview | Last week of November 2009 |
| • Language course for selected scholars | April-May 2010 (India);
June-Sept. 2010 (Germany) |
| • Beginning of Ph. D. studies | 1 st October 2010 |

*Out station participants will also get a lump sum towards travel & lodging

**Married scholars, who wish to call their spouses to Germany after the completion of the German language course, for duration longer than 3 months, may apply for an extra family allowance. DAAD does not cover for the visa fee, air ticket, insurance and other incidental expenses of the spouse.

***Under special conditions where awardees are not able to rent accommodation within the financial limits, an additional rent subsidy can be applied for

**** Candidates in the fields of Law and Philosophy must have a good knowledge of the German Language.

Note: Please use A4 size paper only and DO NOT staple the documents

APPENDIX

The "Sandwich-Model" fellowship programme of the DAAD

The "Sandwich-Model" is a multi-phased fellowship scheme in which applicants can carry out research alternately in India and Germany under the supervision of an Indian as well as a German mentor, according to a schedule previously drafted out in consultation with them.

- Candidates must be registered for their Ph.D. Degree in India. The Doctorate Degree is to be awarded by an Indian university/institute.
- Candidates must give:
 - the exact title of their Ph.D. thesis
 - the name of their supervisor in India
 - a detailed report on the work done so far in India (at least four typed pages)
 - the name of the co-supervisor in Germany under whose guidance they would be doing their research there, and a letter of consent from the German mentor to sponsor the candidate under the conditions submitted
 - an extensive and detailed research proposal of the work to be undertaken in Germany must be accompanied by a work and time schedule agreed upon by the academic supervisors in India and in Germany
- Candidates should have registered for their Ph.D. not more than 3 years prior to the fellowship application deadline

The salient features of this scheme are:

- ⇒ Preparatory studies and research for the Ph.D. thesis in the home country (data collection and field research) without DAAD funding
- ⇒ If required, the German mentor may travel to India to draw up a joint protocol in consultation with the Indian guide and Ph.D. scholar, with details of the research contents and time-line
- ⇒ Studies and research at a German institution of higher education for the Ph.D. thesis (1 – maximum 2 years)
- ⇒ If necessary, visit by the Indian supervisor to the German university/institute for progress control, consolidation of institutional contacts **(to be applied for at the time of application)**
- ⇒ Likewise, a visit of the German mentor to India (for last corrections and participation in the viva-voce as external examiner), if required, can be included
- ⇒ Completion of the thesis at home university / institute (without DAAD funding)