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Graduiertenschule für Geisteswissenschaften Göttingen GSGG

Overview of GSGG grants and allowances

Latest version as of November 2026

General requirements

- Eligible for applying are doctoral candidates of GSGG.
- Doctoral candidates need to submit a current certificate of enrolment with each application.
- Doctoral candidates are eligible for application until their disputation.
- Only members of University of Göttingen are eligible for application.
- Timely submission of the application
- Complete application documents (including statement/report of the professor if applicable)
- Compliance with the obligation to submit annual reports and valid doctoral status (doctoral candidates)

Please note: The the amount of funding is dependent on the budget situation of GSGG.

Application deadline

- 15th March -> earliest possible start of funding: 1st May
- 15th June -> earliest possible start of funding: 1st August
- 15th September -> earliest possible start of funding: 1st November
- 15th December -> earliest possible start of funding: 1st February of the following year

Separate deadlines apply for emergency grants. Please contact the office in this regard.

For allowances for conference and research trips:

- Earliest possible start of funding = commencement of the trip
- Applications for travel costs coverage of up to € 300 can be submitted at any time, however, the application has to be filed at least 3 weeks prior to the trip (date of receipt at the central office).

For barrier-free qualification and networking:

- Applications for a funding amount of up to € 300 can be submitted at any time, however, the application has to be filed at least 3 weeks prior to the trip (date of receipt at the central office).

For allowances for reproduction expenses:

- Earliest possible start of funding: Order of the material that is to be reproduced *after* allowance has been granted.
- Reproduction applications for a funding amount of up to € 300 can be submitted at any time, however, the application has to be filed at least 3 weeks prior to the trip (date of receipt at the central office).

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Emergency Grant

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Requirements/formal criteria

- Eligible for applying are doctoral candidates of GSGG
- Awarding only to doctoral candidates of the Faculty of Humanities and the Faculty of Theology of the University of Göttingen; earliest possible start from the second year of doctoral studies, i.e. one year after acceptance as a doctoral candidate at the Faculty of Philosophy or one year after admission to the doctoral program in theology.
- It is only possible to apply for the scholarship if other funds are not available.

Documents to be submitted

- Consultation prior to submitting the application is mandatory. Applications without prior consultation will not be considered. Please contact the office.
- Completed application form with original signatures of the applicant
- Presentation of the previous funding process, the emergence of the funding gap that has now arisen and, if necessary, the perspective for the remaining doctoral phase after the emergency funding
- Working schedule for the funding period applied for (max. 3 months)
- Statement of at least one supervisor on the chances of success of the doctoral project: work status and quality, integration of the doctoral candidate in the research environment, feasibility and time perspective; information on financing options from the supervisor.

Annotations

- The maximum duration of funding is 3 months.
- Funding is only possible until the dissertation is submitted.
- The grant is endowed with the current BAföG maximum rate.
- Doctoral candidates with children will obtain an additional monthly allowance of € 400 for the first child and an additional € 100 for each subsequent child.
- Please note that the university regulations on scholarships and any additional income at the same time are currently being revised and that we therefore have to examine each individual case. Any employment at the University of Göttingen excludes receipt of an emergency grant.
- In the event of subsequent employment at the University of Göttingen, it can be checked whether the scholarship holder has to pay additional social security contributions.