

Invitation to apply

Frankfurt School was one of the very first German universities to engage with the Deutschlandstipendium federal scholarship programme, right at the start. Now a new batch of scholarships is due to be awarded for the **2023/2024 academic year**. The number of scholarships per university is subject to an annual quota. This is set by the government based on the number of students enrolled at each university.

In award year 2023/24, Frankfurt School **expects to be able to award 45 scholarships to students on all academic programmes (except for the doctoral programme)**. Frankfurt School has always made strenuous efforts to encourage diversity. In view of this high priority, the business school encourages **women and students from immigrant backgrounds* in particular** to apply for Deutschlandstipendium scholarships.

Applications are open to anyone who fulfils the admission requirements for a Bachelor's or Master's degree course at Frankfurt School and is due to embark on such a course at Frankfurt School in the 2023/24 winter semester (i.e. has already returned the countersigned study agreement to Frankfurt School) or is already enrolled in a Bachelor's or Master's programme at Frankfurt School.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of a selection procedure conducted by Frankfurt School. The selection procedure is based on the selection criteria laid down in Deutschlandstipendium Programme Act and the associated Scholarship Programme Regulation. Both law and regulation can be consulted at www.deutschlandstipendium.de.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of talent and performance. In addition to academic achievements and personal development to date, a student's social commitment, willingness to assume responsibility, or particular social, family or personal circumstances – associated, for example, with family origins or an immigrant background – are also taken into account.

According to the Scholarship Programme Act, assessments of academic performance and talent should be based in particular on the following criteria:

- In the case of first-year students (starting in the 2023/2024 winter semester), the average grade achieved in the university entrance qualification (special consideration being given to individual grades of direct relevance to the chosen subject), together with the qualification entitling the student to study at this business school (the results of which are recorded by Frankfurt School's Assessment Centre)
- In the case of students who are already enrolled at Frankfurt School, academic performance to date, and especially ECTS points acquired; and also, in the case of students on Master's programmes, the final grade achieved on graduating from the first degree course.

In addition, the overall evaluation of an applicant's potential will consider in particular:

1. any special achievements, awards or prizes, previous professional activity or internships,
2. extracurricular or extramural activities such as voluntary work; involvement in social, institutional or political activities; participation in religious societies or communities; participation in associations or clubs,

* Persons from immigrant backgrounds are defined as all those who immigrated to the present-day territory of the Federal Republic of Germany after 1949, all foreigners born in Germany, and all those German nationals born in Germany with at least one parent who immigrated after 1949 or was born in Germany as a foreigner.

3. special personal or family circumstances such as illness or disabilities, caring for own children (especially as a single parent), caring for close relatives or dependents, working in the family business, jobs held while studying, family origins or immigrant background.

The scholarship is paid out in an amount of **300 euros per month** and is awarded as a (non-repayable) grant. Payment is conditional upon the scholarship holder being enrolled at Frankfurt School.

Timeframe for submitting applications: May 8 to June 14, 2023

Applications that are not submitted by the deadline or in the correct form will not be taken into consideration.

Scholarship holders will be **selected by July 28, 2023 at the latest** by a Frankfurt School commission comprised of the Educational Advisor, the Undergraduate Studies Programme Director, a representative of the faculty, a representative of the business school's alumni, and a representative of the student body.

Application forms for first-year students and students already on programmes can be downloaded from the Frankfurt School website. Applications may be submitted in either German or English.

Completed application documents may **only be submitted by e-mail** to: deutschlandstipendium@fs.de

Please present your application as **a single** PDF file (max. 20 pages, max. 5 MB in size). The first four pages should consist of the completed application form, immediately followed by your assignment (written essay). You may then include additional documents (such as references, testimonials, certificates etc.). Please note that applications comprising more than 20 pages, or submitted as files more than 5 MB in size, will not be processed.

Please name your application file as follows: [surname first name]_FS-Deutschlandstipendium 2023.pdf

So for example: **Smith Emily_FS-Deutschlandstipendium 2023.pdf**

Please pay careful attention to this format when naming the file: do not use square brackets for your application file, be sure to state your name before your first name and use the underscore correctly. This is absolutely necessary so that your application file can be sorted alphabetically properly.

The scholarship will not be set off against any BAföG grant payments you may be receiving.

Deutschlandstipendium scholarships will **not** be awarded to students who are already in receipt of performance-related funding from another institution or institutions (e.g. scholarships from organisations for supporting talented students such as Studienstiftung, Stiftung der deutschen Wirtschaft etc.), or in receipt of a scholarship from one of the Frankfurt School scholarship programmes that waive 50% or more of the student's tuition fees (including the Klaus-Peter Müller Scholarship and the ARDIAN Scholarship).

The scholarship is awarded for two semesters (12-month award period).

The funding period extends **from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024**.

Students may reapply for a Deutschlandstipendium scholarship in the following year.

Students have no legal or statutory claim or entitlement to a Deutschlandstipendium scholarship.