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GRADUATE ACADEMY

Scholarship Program for the Promotion of Early-Career Female Scientists of TU Dresden (without Faculty of Medicine)

The TU Dresden promotes with the Scholarship Program for the Promotion of Early-Career Female Scientists of TU Dresden (without Faculty of Medicine) (prospective) female doctoral candidates and postdocs with a full scholarship for up to 3 years.

Eligibility

Eligible are:

- + Female graduates, who intend to earn a doctoral degree or habilitation at TU Dresden.
- + Female graduates, who are not working more than two years on their doctorate/habilitation and whose funding by scholarships, third-party funds etc. has ended. The two years are considered to be complet-ed latest in the month before the requested funding period begins.

Not eligible are:

- Doctoral or habilitation candidates of the faculty of medicine.
- Female researchers, who are employed as a research assistant (for 19 hours per week) during the applied period of funding.
- Female researchers, who hold an employment relationship or receive funding from another institution (such as private funding institutions, industry) during the applied period of funding.



If the PhD or habilitation project is partly carried out at a non-university research institution, e.g. a Dresden-concept partner institution, the connection to the TU Dresden must be ensured.

In principle, sideline activities are possible during the period of eligibility. These must be reported immediately to the Graduate Academy of TU Dresden. **Sideline** activities may not exceed 10 hours/weeks or 2 SWS teaching time.

Duration & Extent of Funding

The scholarship is awarded for a maximum period of three years depending on the available budget. The scholarship funding ends with the month in which the dissertation/habilitation thesis is submitted, at the latest after three years. An extension is not possible.

The **monthly grant** consists of a scholarship rate of:

- EUR 1,365.00 for doctoral candidates.
- EUR 1,750.00 for habilitation candidates.
- if applicable, a family allowance of EUR 400.00 for the first and EUR 100.00 for each additional child.

Earliest start of grant: 1st October 2020 Latest possible start of grant: 1st March 2021



Funding initially will only be granted for one year. It has to be applied for an extension of funding for the upcoming year at least three months before the preceding funding year ends.

Application & Deadline

The application is submitted:

- electronically
- within the deadline and
- as one PDF (exception: Letter of Recommendation)

via **e-mail to graduiertenakademie@tu-dresden.de** with the subject Frauenförderung".

Application deadline: Tuesday, 31st March 2020

Missing, incomplete or incorrect documents cannot be submitted/ resubmitted after the application deadline. Incomplete applications cannot be taken into consideration. Please note: As well the required letters of recommendation have to reach the Graduate Academy in due time.



Approximately three weeks after the application deadline you will receive an acknowledgement of receipt. **Notification of funding is generally made after about twelfe weeks of the respective deadline for applications**. Please refrain from telephone inquiries in this time.

The membership at Graduate Academy is mandatory when applying for funding or has to be requested within two months' time after funding approval.

Application documents

Checklist for a complete application:
A signed and scanned copy of the online proposal form [Please note: Intermediate digital storage of data is not possible]
Tabular resume (CV) incl. list of publications, previous teaching activities and description of the scientific career
Copy of the latest university degree and if applicable, a current overview of grades (if applicable, a copy of a certified English translation of the certificate if it is in a foreign language)
Letter of motivation (max. 2 pages)
 Description of research project (max. 7 pages) incl. Problem statement, explanation and aim of the planned project Description of the topic related to the state of the art in the discipline (literature review) Preparatory work Detailed explanation of the single work packages and a time schedule for the requested funding period
Certificate of enrollment or confirmation letter of acceptance as a doctoral candidate by the faculty (can be handed in within two months' time after funding has started)
If applicable, documents relating to a current grant/funding/work contract
In case of a sideline activity during funding period: confirmation that the side- line activity will not exceed 10 hours/week or 2 SWS and that incidentally, the applicant will be fully dedicated to the progress of the PhD/ habilitation project
 If applicable, statement of family situation: Copy of children's birth certificates Declaration of second parent, if or which scholarship is received Proof of special additional burden (e.g. nursing relatives)
First letter of recommendation *: to be handed in by your first Academic Supervisor or Young Investigator , who signed/will sign the supervision agreement (for doctoral candidates)
Second letter of recommendation *: to be handed in by a second academic supervisor, researcher at postdoctoral level or a junior research group leader
Additonal document for applications regarding funding of a habilitation project: Statement of the faculty that the habilitation of the applicant will be supported by the faculty
* These documents are available as downloads on the GA website.

Selection procedure

The selection takes place by the executive committee of the Graduate Academy and the Equal Opportunities Officer of TU Dresden on the basis of the application handed in. The scholarships are performance-based grants and are awarded in a competitive selection process.

The **selection criteria** are:

- Qualification of the applicant (academic performance, publications, prizes/ awards)
- Quality of the letter of recommendation
- Consideration of life circumstances
- Application submitted complete and within the deadline

A fundamental legal right to claim funding within this program does not exist.

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Get your questions answered! Information event on funding programs: Monday, 10th February 2020(German) Tuesday, 11th February 2020 (English)

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