

DAAD – VIC Research Funding Scheme

The DAAD – VIC Research Funding Scheme is a part of the Victoria-Germany Bilateral Academic Exchange Program, delivered by veski and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). It is designed to improve international relations and encourage reciprocal research cooperation with German universities.

The program is open to all post-doctorates and faculty who have completed a doctoral degree, and work **across all areas of research at Victorian universities**, whereby FIVE paired projects - each pair consisting of a Victorian and a German researcher - will be competitively selected for exchange.

Eligibility

Applications are invited from academics and scientists, across all areas of research, who:

- have completed a doctoral degree;
- must be in a teaching and research, or research only, role at the Victorian university administering the application;
- must remain on full salary from their Victorian university for the duration of the exchange; and
- working on a genuinely collaborative research project with German partners, not furthering their individual research in Germany.

Applications from a Victorian applicant is only accepted when their German exchange partner also applies for the Program at the same time. All projects must submit two applications, with:

- a. the Victorian exchange academic submitting one application; and
- b. the German exchange academic submitting one application.

The German collaborating university must be a publicly funded higher education and research institution based in Germany. If you are unsure about the eligibility of a partner institution, search for the institution on the Study in Germany website, or your German partner can contact the DAAD directly.

Funding

The Program provides financial support for the travel and living expenses associated with the exchange of collaborating academics between Victoria and Germany.

The Program operates on a reciprocal funding basis whereby the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and Victorian universities each agrees to bear the round-trip travel costs of their exchange academics to the host institution and back.

In addition, DAAD provides financial support for living expenses for Australian research stays at a German university, while Victorian universities provide financial support for German research stays in Victoria.

Approximate Value

- Monthly payments provided by DAAD for inbound Victorian researchers
 - o 2,000 euros for assistant teachers, assistant professors and lecturers
 - o 2,150 euros for professors
- Monthly payments of up to \$3,500 AUD may be provided by Victorian universities for inbound German researchers
- Unless otherwise regulated by bilateral agreements, the cost of the outward and return journey are borne by the applicant's own organisation.

What can be funded?

Research stays at state or state-recognised institutions of higher education or non-university research institutes in Germany.

Please note: Lecture tours or visits to congresses are not funded. It is expected that basic research costs (consumables, lab access and in-kind costs - staff, existing equipment, licenses etc.) will be provided by the host institutions in Australia and Germany.

Duration of the funding

This current round is for travel between May 2023 – Jan 2024 inclusive. Funding can support onsite research, **from 14 days to three months.**

Academics from the Victorian universities and German universities or research institutions entering into the Program will agree on the dates, duration and purpose of the exchange of the Program at the application stage. The duration of each exchange may be different, if agreed by both universities.

Selection

An independent selection committee, managed by **veski** in Victoria, will review applications based on academic achievements and the research project.

The most important selection criteria are:

- Academic achievements and, if applicable, publications, which must be documented in the curriculum vitae and a list of publications
- A convincing and well-planned research project

It is anticipated that all applicants will hear the outcome of their application by April 2023 from the DAAD, with travel to commence from May 2023. The DAAD and **veski** reserve the right not to provide any awards in a given year.

Application Procedure

STEP 1: Victorian applicants must submit an initial registration to **veski** via <https://veskidelivered.awardsplatform.com>

STEP 2: Following a registration, the applicant will receive an email containing the link to complete the full application via the DAAD portal.

The call for applications opened on 3 October 2022, with applications due by 23.59pm CET on Monday, 14 November 2022 [that's 9.59am AEDT on Tuesday, 15 November 2022 in Australia] via the DAAD portal.

Please note

- The application is only valid if you submit all the required documents to the DAAD portal on time.
- Late or incomplete applications cannot be considered. The applicants are responsible for ensuring that the applications are complete.

Application documents

The application procedure occurs online through the DAAD portal.

Documents to be uploaded to the DAAD portal include:

- Online application form – ensuring the corresponding German application must be submitted **with the same title**
- Full **curriculum vitae** in tabular form (max. 3 pages);
- List of **academic publications** (max. 3 pages);
- Comprehensive **statement about research project** (max. 10 pages); also read [important information for scholarship applicants](#) / section B, point 2.
- **Time plan** for your planned research visit (please also name the host institute(s) and academic hosts); and a
- **Written confirmation** from your host about the academic cooperation; this confirmation must refer to your proposal and guarantee that the host institute in Germany will provide you with a workplace.

The application documents remain with the DAAD. The applicant's personal data is saved by the DAAD in accordance with the Federal Data Protection Act and with the EU Data Protection Regulation insofar as this data is needed to process the application.

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