

The DAAD In-Country/In-Region Scholarships, Eastern Africa – 2015/16



Department of Microbial, Cellular
and Molecular Biology

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In-Country/In-Region Scholarships Candidates must be from **Eastern Africa**
For Masters and PhD Degrees

DEADLINE

JUNE 6, 2015

Apply here:

www.mcmb.edu.et/application@daadafrica.org

Earliest start Date

SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

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1) Scholarship General Information

- The DAAD In-Country/In-Region Scholarships, Eastern Africa – 2015/16

The DAAD In-Country/In-Region Scholarships, Eastern Africa – 2015/16 is designed to increase the number of student's mobility in a country/ in a region to increase the number of knowledge sharing between universities in one country/ in one region.

These mobility activities will increase the competitiveness and attractiveness of the participating Higher Education Institutions towards the ultimate aim of encouraging 'brain gain' rather than 'brain drain' within eastern Africa region.

The scholarship is designed to facilitate the movement of Masters and PhD students between eastern African national Universities.

Participant will study the selected program (Applied Genetics, Applied Microbiology, Biomedical Sciences) in the **Department of Microbial, Cellar and Molecular Biology** and Institute of Biotechnology,

This scholarship is only for the applicant from Eastern Africa, there will be 4 positions available for Master degree and 4 positions available for PhD.

The payment of the allowance will be directly transferred from DAAD to each student, so the selected participant will finalize all of the personal payment during the study term by themselves (Tuition fee, accommodation, stationery, Internet, etc.)

- The Application Procedure

The application schedule for this scholarship will be done to the Department of Microbial, Cellular and Molecular Biology (Chairperson: Dr. Gurja Belay e-mail: gurja_kk@yahoo.com) and DAAD (application@daadafrica.org) following these timeline by sending the softcopy of all required documents:

N0	Activities	Deadline
1	Promotion and call for application	May 6 th
2	Dead line of application	June 6 th
3	Short list	June 19 th
4	Final selection	July
5	Earliest starting date	September 1 st

The application Requirement:

- Translated University's certificate and transcript (If the certificate is prepared by other than English).
- For Master applicant, must be in Bachelor degree in Biology and related field of study
- Any other requirement from Microbial, Cellular and Molecular Biology (need to be discussed with contact person).

In addition to the specific application requirements of the study programme/course you are applying for, please note the following DAAD application requirements:

- a. The last university degree must have been completed less than six years ago at the time of application.
- b. Citizenship of a country in Sub-Saharan Africa proofed by the scan of applicant's passport.
- c. Bachelors and / or Master's degree qualification with at least above average results proofed by the scan of complete transcript of previous degree.
- d. Proof of admission to the desired degree course or official letter assuring admission from Microbial Cellular and Molecular Biology Chair.
- e. For PhD scholarships: Staff member of a public or private university (or candidate considered for teaching or research staff recruitment)

The application Document:

In addition to the application documents requested by the study programme/course you are applying for, DAAD requires the following application documents:

- a. Filled and signed **DAAD Application Form for In-Country/In-Region Scholarships** (available at http://www.nm-aist.ac.tz/information_sheet.pdf)
- b. Signed **curriculum vitae**; please use the Europass CV template (<http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu>)
- c. A signed copy of this **DAAD Information Sheet for Students**
- d. Certified copies of all **university degree certificates**
- e. Certified copies of all **university transcripts**
- f. At least temporary **admission letter** including fee structure of respective course (original or certified copy only), or an official letter assuring admission

For *Master* candidates only:

- a) **Letter of motivation** (Maximum 2 pages)
- b) **Academic reference** from senior lecturer and proof of employment if applicable (original only)

For *Ph.D.* candidates only:

- a) Ph.D. **research proposal** and a detailed work plan (10 to 15 pages); plagiarism will be checked!
- b) Abstract of the proposal on one page (please include name and title of proposal)
- c) **Recommendation letter** by head of department indicating that you are a present or prospective member of staff and how you will be integrated into the staff development agenda of the university (original only)
- d) Confirmation of study leave from your university (if applicable)
- e) Confirmation of teaching release (university staff members only)

Please send a soft copy of these documents, in addition to a soft copy of all documents requested by your study programme/course, to applications@daadafrica.org

Duration of Scholarship

The awards are available for up to a maximum of two years (Master) and three years (Ph.D.) respectively.

The scholarship is initially granted for one year and may be extended upon individual request and receipt of a complete application by using the provided form. The application for renewal has to be submitted at least one month before the scholarship period expires.

Value of the scholarship

DAAD will pay tuition fees to the university according to the submitted fees structure and a monthly stipend to the scholarship holder, covering cost of living including accommodation. DAAD rates will apply for the monthly stipend; current rates can be communicated upon request. Later increments of any fees and charges cannot be considered.

In addition, the scholarship holder will receive an annual study and research allowance. This allowance is intended to cover any costs related to the student's research project. The annual study and research allowance is paid in local currency and is equivalent to the amount of EUR 230.00 for Master's scholarship holders and EUR 920.00 for Ph.D. scholarship holders. Within the final year of studies, DAAD pays a lump sum of EUR 1,025.00 to the scholar-ship holder (in local currency). This final allowance is granted to cover the thesis production costs in the last year of the course of studies (e.g. second year for Master students, third year for Ph.D. students).

Please note that a DAAD scholarship is not a full scholarship. DAAD will only provide funding as stated above. It is not possible to apply for additional funding (e.g. laboratory, field work, conferences, technical equipment, books, travel, etc.)

2. Focus Program

3. FAQs

a. General Information of the program,

1) What is the In-Country/In-Region Scholarships program?

⇒ The DAAD In-Countr/ In-Region scholarship program is a scholarship program that fully funded by DAAD for student in Master and PhD program, in this case is for region of Eastern Africa.

2) Which host institution I can apply to?

⇒ There will be only one host institution for the DAAD In-Country/In-Region Scholarship, Eastern Africa (Ethiopia) program which is Department of Microbial, Cellular and Molecular Biology, Addis Ababa University.

3) Can the Scholarship holder of this program hold another scholarships program?

⇒ No, the scholarship holder of this program will only allow receiving scholarship from DAAD.

b. Eligibility

1) What are the eligibility criteria for the applicant?

⇒ As long as you completed the requirement mentioned in Application procedure you are eligible to the applicant for this scholarship.

2) Is it eligible for Ethiopian to apply for this scholarship?

⇒ As part of Eastern Africa country, Ethiopian student also have the same chance to win this scholarship.

3) I was graduated from one of eastern Africa University but currently I am staying (study or work) in non eastern Africa country, am I eligible to apply for this scholarship?

⇒ As long as you are still holding the citizenship of one of Eastern Africa country you are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

4) Is there any maximum age to apply to this scholarship?

⇒ There is no maximum age.

5) Which country is including in Eastern Africa region?

⇒ Following country is the eastern Africa country member: Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, Rwanda, Sudan, Eritrea, Djibouti, and Somalia.

c. Application

1) How will the applicants be selected?

⇒ The selection will be done by DAAD with a comprehensive selection process.

2) How can I send my application? Mail, email, or fax?

⇒ The application can be send via email and also visa post to Department of Microbial, Cellular and Molecular Biology but it must be sent via email to DAAD.

3) I am in my last semester in my current university, can I apply?

⇒ Yes.

Should your question not on the list above? Send us an email:

dereje.beyene@aau.edu.et

4. Download

a. DAAD Application form ([link](#))

b. DAAD Information sheet for scholars, available at

http://www.nm-aist.ac.tz/information_sheet.pdf

5) **Contact Person:** Dr. Dereje Beyene, E-mail: dereje.beyene@aau.edu.et and Mob: +251-911-45-74-44