

Dr. Ernst-Leopold Klipstein Foundation

Call for proposals 2024

Funding by the Dr. Ernst-Leopold Klipstein Foundation

Scholarships for the promotion of master theses:

Start of funding **01.10.2024**, deadline for submission **31.08.2024**

The purpose of the legally independent foundation, newly established in 2018, is to promote science and research at Justus Liebig University Giessen (JLU) with the aim of improving environmentally friendly and sustainable agricultural production by means of innovative, knowledge-based concepts.

The focus of funding concerns phytopathological and plant biotechnological research for the development and maintenance of sustainable biosystems for resource utilization, taking into account epidemiological and evolutionary-biological mechanisms. Increased research needs are seen in sustainable crop production, such as the improvement of crops through modern breeding techniques, such as genome editing; the development of new crop protection methods using environmentally friendly pesticides, such as "biologicals"; the use of breakthrough innovations, such as the use of non-coding RNA to control plant diseases; the introduction of biotechnological methods to reduce phosphate and nitrate fertilization; and the improvement of crop yields in tropical and subtropical regions through substantial sustainable production strategies.

The funded work should involve key scientific disciplines such as biology, chemistry, computer science, medicine or physics.

The Foundation's Board of Directors has decided to fund the following in 2024:

- **Up to 2 scholarships** to support MA theses.
- Start of funding: **01.10.2024**
- Duration of funding: **one semester** (in justified cases with the possibility of extension by one semester)
- monthly funding amount: **300,- €**
- **The applicant must have already started the MA program and be enrolled at JLU.**

The Board of Trustees decides on exceptions to the above-mentioned funding possibilities and possible funding extensions.

Notes on the application: When applying for funding from the Klipstein Foundation - including applications for extensions of scholarships - the following must be submitted:

- Form completed and signed by you (**see Dr. Ernst-Leopold Klipstein Foundation**)
- Files/scans of relevant documents, e.g. transcripts, PDF copy of BA, proof of admission to MA program, proof of enrollment at JLU
- Curriculum vitae (max. 2 pages)
- Letter of motivation (max. 2 pages)
- Presentation of the research project/project description (max. 2 pages)
- Time schedule (max. 1 page).

The Foundation Board of Directors decides on the awarding of foundation grants. In the event that a grant is awarded, the person receiving the grant is obliged to report in writing to the Foundation's Board of Directors on the progress of the work within a period of time specified in the grant decision.

There is no legal entitlement to a grant from Foundation funds; expenses incurred as a result of the application cannot be reimbursed.

Applicants are requested to send their application for funding by 31.08.2024 as a PDF file by e-mail to Claudia.Schick@admin.uni-giessen.de.

Please note the information on [data protection](#).

Yours sincerely

Susanne Kraus
Chairwoman of the Foundation Board

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