

PROFILE: WALTER BENJAMIN PROGRAMME (DFG)

1. SUMMARY

The Walter Benjamin Program enables academics in the qualification phase following their doctorate to independently implement their own research project at a location of their choice. The project can be carried out at a research institution in Germany or abroad, whereby the host institution supports the project. In addition, it is a prerequisite that researchers have not worked at the host institution selected for the Walter Benjamin Fellowship for more than one year at the time of application. The Walter Benjamin Program has various modules with different characteristics that can be applied for. Depending on the program objective, applicants can apply for one or more of the modules offered.

2. REQUIREMENTS

Only researchers in an early scientific career phase are eligible to apply. Funding requires a completed scientific education (with a doctorate). The project may not be based at an institution that is not non-profit or that does not permit publication of the results in a generally accessible form. Funding can only be provided abroad if researchers are integrated into the German academic system.

3. FACTS

Funding goal

Promotion of early scientific careers, mobility + further development

Target group

Postdocs in early career phase

Funding period

Usually up to 2 years

Object of funding

- Abroad: Scholarship
- In Germany: Postdoc position
- Research allowance

Funding amount

- Abroad: Scholarship 1,750 EUR monthly, Foreign allowance, child allowance if applicable, return scholarship for 6 months if applicable (→ Scholarship calculator)
- In Germany: E13-E14 TvöD/TV-L or medical rotation position
- Flat rate: 250 EUR monthly

Deadline

Open

Processing time

Approx. 6-7 months

Funding quota

2020: 63% Scholarship, 34% Position ; 2022: 64% Scholarship, 38% Position

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