RISE worldwide 2014

After the very successful third round of RISE worldwide - in which DAAD supported over 250 projects by funding undergraduate German students working as research assistants - the program is returning in 2014. Research groups from all over the world that are interested in hosting a German research assistant in the summer of 2014 are invited to submit project offers on www.daad.de/rise-programs.

What are the features of RISE worldwide?

Within this program, research groups, laboratories and doctoral students can apply to host a motivated and well-qualified student from Germany as research intern in their proposed project. The German intern will assist in research and lab work. The students with academic training in the fields of biology, chemistry, physics, earth sciences, engineering, medicine, or a closely related field, receive a DAAD scholarship to help cover living expenses and travel costs (for details see www.daad.de/rise-programs).

What are the benefits of the program?

Researchers in science and engineering profit both professionally and personally: They receive assistance with their research projects, strengthen their ties to Germany and extend their knowledge of German culture, research landscape and higher education system. PhD students are especially encouraged to participate because they in particular can benefit by learning how to be a mentor to younger students. The project also offers an excellent opportunity to establish academic partnerships with universities in Germany or to intensify already existing transatlantic networks.

German undergraduate students in science and engineering are exposed to advanced research work while gaining desirable practical experience in their respective fields during the summer. They get the chance to develop intercultural competence and improve their language skills. Moreover, the intensive lab work and leisure time spent together with mentors, colleagues and other interns are a basis for long-lasting friendships.

Visit our website: www.daad.de/rise-programs or www.daad.de/rise-weltweit
Contact us directly: rise-worldwide@daad.de
Submission of project proposals: October 7, 2013 through November 24, 2013
Terms of the internship: 6 weeks to 3 months; earliest starting date: June 1, 2014

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Program Requirements

You are a professor, a postdoc or PhD student, employed by or affiliated with an accredited academic institution or a non-profit research institution, working in the field of natural sciences, earth sciences or engineering.

You agree to supervise and support the assigned student in local administrative matters with finding accommodation and possibly with recreational activities.

We highly recommend integrating PhD students into the project although this is not mandatory.

Scholarship for German students

The intern will receive a monthly allowance, a travel subsidy (both depending on target country) as well as health, accident and personal liability insurance.

Why should you take part?

You will...
- have an assistant for your experimental work,
- develop your soft skills and skills in personnel management, which are of special importance to PhD students,
- establish and/or strengthen contacts with German universities and the German research landscape,
- extend your professional relationships for lifelong networking.

Program Support

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“I appreciated very much the enthusiasm and excellent academic preparation of my intern. He did very well in my lab and it was a mutually enjoyable and productive experience.”

Participating Researcher,
RISE in North America 2009
Research Internships for Undergraduates

Researchers who wish to engage in a meaningful cooperation with a young German research assistant will be brought together with students in the early stages of their studies who have an excellent background in the fields of engineering, natural sciences, and related disciplines, including earth sciences. These students have the ambition to work abroad and gain hands-on research experience in their fields.

Researchers from universities and governmentally funded labs can submit a project offer to which German students may then apply. DAAD will publish your project offer and promote the program to German students.

You will be involved in the selection of the candidates for your project. DAAD will match the best candidates to the projects. A successful applicant will receive a DAAD scholarship to carry out a research stay in your working group during the summer (from June to October for a max. of 3 months). Exact dates can be arranged individually.

(RISE worldwide is an extension of DAAD’s successful RISE in North America program – researchers from any country are invited to post a project offer!)

“How does RISE worldwide work?"

- Researchers from accredited universities and non-profit research institutions register online and submit project offers, including a one-page project description in the fall (October – November). DAAD posts the internship offers in a database on its website.

- German applicants register online to review the project offers. They apply from December through mid-January to a maximum of three projects.

- The German applicants’ profiles are checked for eligibility by DAAD staff and are then activated to be reviewed online by the researchers.

- The prospective hosts are asked to provide DAAD with a list ranking the most qualified applicants.

- On the basis of these ranking lists, the academic credentials of the students, and the demand for a project, DAAD makes its final decisions, notifies successful hosts, and awards scholarships in March.

“About DAAD”

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is a publicly funded self-governing organisation of the German Higher Education institutions. Our aim is to promote international academic relations - particularly through the exchange of students, postgraduates and academic staff - thereby contributing to Germany’s cultural policy. Our programs are available for all countries and cover all disciplines; they apply to Germans as well as all other nationalities. DAAD also supports the internationalisation of German universities via special funding programs and by offering information and marketing services.

“About DAAD”

This academic research exchange is one of the best experiences in my life! I am really having a great time in and outside the lab.”

Participating Student, RISE in North America 2009

“Research Internship Provider, RISE in North America 2009”

“I thank DAAD very much for organizing and carrying out this valuable initiative! I have been very impressed by the outstanding educational background of all applicants and their high potential as future researchers.”

“Participating Student, RISE in North America 2009”

“I gained a lot of new knowledge and experience. My internship brought me together with many different colleagues from all over the world which enhanced my intercultural competencies tremendously.”

“Participating Student, RISE in North America 2009”