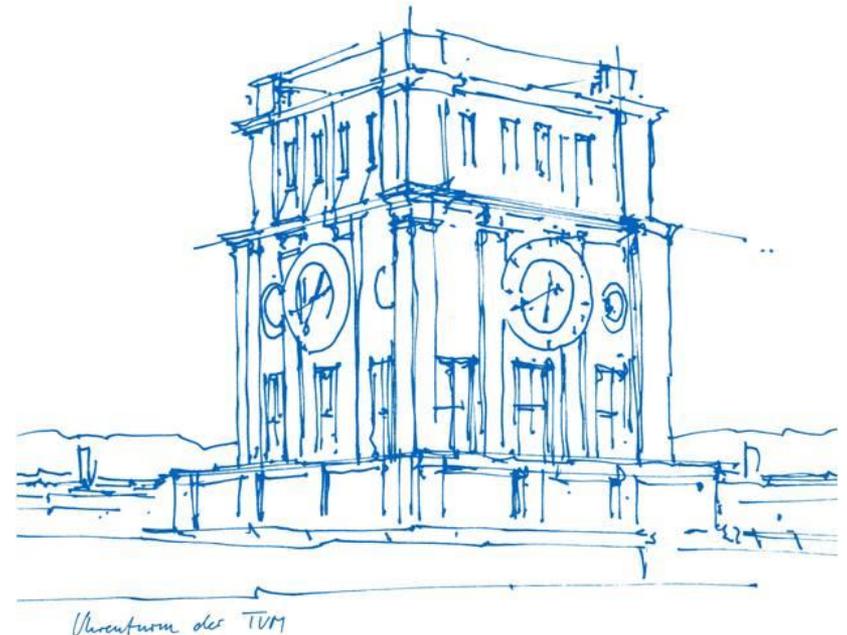


# Fit for TUM 2024

## Scholarships, exemptions and waiver options for international students

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# Scholarships, exemptions and fee waiver opportunities for international students

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# 1. Information on semester fees and tuition fees

- All students must pay student union fees (currently EUR 85)
- For many programs, tuition fees are charged for international students from non-EU countries
- The fee scale on the TUM website page called Tuition fees for students from non-EU countries shows the fees for the relevant degree programs.
- TUM offers a few scholarships as financial support for your studies

While the application deadlines for the winter semester 2024/2025 have passed, there are **more opportunities to apply for scholarships, exemptions and fee waivers for future semesters.**

## 2. Overview of funding opportunities

- a. Scholarships
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## 2.a. Scholarships at TUM

- Scholarship for International Students at TUM
- Oskar Karl Forster Scholarship for Books & Learning Materials
- Deutschlandstipendium National Scholarship Program
- Other Scholarships

## 2.a Scholarship for International Students at TUM

- **Who can apply?**
  - International students  
Students from developing countries are given special consideration
  - Bachelor students after the completion of two semesters at TUM
  - Master students after the completion of one semester at TUM
  - Master students who have completed a bachelor's degree at TUM can apply in the first semester of their master's studies

## 2.a Scholarship for International Students at TUM

- **Amount of Funding**  
One-time financial aid from € 500 to € 1,800 per semester
- **Requirements**
  - Good academic record
  - Proven need (income of parents and student)
  - Two recommendations from your school of study
  - Motivation letter
  - Curriculum Vitae (Resume)
- **Next application period**  
October 1 to 20, 2024 for winter semester  
April 2025 for summer semester



## 2.a Oskar Karl Forster Scholarship for Books & Learning Materials

- **What will be funded?**
  - Acquisition of books & learning materials that are essential for your study program
  - Every qualified applicant is supported **once** during her/his studies.
- **Amount of Funding**  
One-time payment up to € 500

## 2.a Oskar Karl Forster Scholarship for Books & Learning Materials

- **Who can apply?**
  - Students who have completed at least two semesters at TUM
- **Requirements**
  - Good academic performance
  - Proven need (income of parents and student)
  - The professor has to sign that the purchase is necessary
- **Next application period**
  - October 1 to 15, 2024 for winter semester 24
  - May 2025 for summer semester 2025

## 2.a. Deutschlandstipendium National Scholarship Program

- **Aim: Supporting Talent and Social Commitment**
- **Amount of Funding**  
€ 300 per month  
(supported by the German government with € 150 and a sponsor with € 150)  
The duration of a full scholarship is 12 months (October – September).
- **Relevant criteria**
  - Good academic record
  - Outstanding voluntary commitment in society or university
  - Overcoming difficult life circumstances
- **Next application period**  
Summer 2025

## 2.a Deutschlandstipendium National Scholarship Program

- **Building up a network for the future**

Sponsors can support specific fields of study - 2/3 of the scholarships are designated for a school or institution.

Scholarship holders have the opportunity to establish an exclusive contact with supporting companies.

The scholarship holders have also built a network with each other in the past.

- **Current figures**

Around 1,000 scholarship holders at TUM

[www.tum.de/deutschlandstipendium](http://www.tum.de/deutschlandstipendium)

## 2.a Other Scholarships

**Occasionally, additional scholarships may be available. These are administered by TUM CST Fees and Scholarships.**

**Please visit our website for more information:**

<https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships/tum-scholarships>

## 2.a Other Scholarships

Numerous other institutions award scholarships and prizes or hold competitions for students. The following online services provide an overview of funding opportunities:

[www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships/other-scholarships](http://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships/other-scholarships)

[www.stipendiumplus.de](http://www.stipendiumplus.de)

[www.mystipendium.de](http://www.mystipendium.de)



## 2.b Tuition Fee Exemptions

- **Exemption due to established domestic connection**  
for students that are entitled to educational support according to BAföG §8 1-4
- **Exemption due to a disability that severely affects your studies**
- **Exemption for asylum seekers who are nationals of a country with a special protection quota**

The exemptions must be applied for using an online form

More information on the fee exemptions and application deadlines can be found on the TUM website at [Scholarships and waivers for international students - TUM](#)

## 2.c Tuition Fee Waivers

- **Care-provision waiver**
  - Personal care for own children or relatives
  - If this care puts the completion of studies at risk
- **Financial emergency waiver:**
  - Unexpected financial difficulties through no fault of one's own after the start of studies that result in an inability to pay the tuition fees for international students
- **Waiver due to other personal or social reasons:**
  - Legitimate residence in Germany as a war refugee
  - Other cases of hardship

The waivers must be applied for using an online form.

The application deadlines for waivers for summer semester is November 15 to November 30.

More information on the fee waivers and application deadlines can be found on the TUM website at [Scholarships and waivers for international students - TUM](#)

## 2.d Waiver Scholarships

- Eligibility requirements
- Type and scope of funding
- Application procedure
- Required documents
- Award decision

## 2.d. Currently offered waiver scholarships

- **Merit**-based waiver scholarship
- **Need**-based waiver scholarship



## 2.d. Eligibility requirements

Waiver Scholarship based on **merit**

- Master's students from the first semester at TUM
- Proof of performance via ranking within the university of origin

Waiver scholarship based on **need**

- Master's students from the first semester at TUM
- Proof of need

*Changes that lead to the discontinuation of funding must be reported immediately.* The Department of Fees and Scholarships is entitled to enquire during an ongoing approval period whether a need still exists. If the award criteria are no longer met, the approval will be revoked at the end of the semester in which the change is determined

## 2.d Type and scope of funding

Type of funding:

- Waiver of fees for international students
- The student union fee is not waived

Scope of funding:

- Waiver scholarship based on **merit**
  - Duration of approval: two semesters, reapplication is possible
- Waiver scholarship due to **need**
  - Approval for the remaining standard period of study
  - Maximum funding period: Duration of the standard period of study plus two additional semesters as long as the entitlement to examinations exists

## 2.d Required documents

**Merit**-based waiver scholarships from the first semester:

### **Your current ranking from your home university**

**The ranking must not be older than six months and must contain the following information:**

- o Name of the university of origin
- o Address of the university of origin
- o Contact details of the confirming body
- o Ink stamp of the university of origin
- o Name of the responsible person at the university of origin
- o Signature of the responsible person at the university of origin
- o Name of the person ranked
- o Your ranking position as a percentage of performance within your cohort
- o Definition of the cohort (which degree program/field of study was ranked)
- o Date of issue

In addition, a corresponding transcript of records must be uploaded.

The original and the translated ranking certificate must be submitted personally or via post within the deadline.

## 2.d Required documents

**Merit**-based waiver scholarships from the 3<sup>rd</sup> semester:

- The Transcript of Records from TUM

## 2.d Required documents

### Need-based waiver scholarships

- Matriculation or application number
- Proof of marital status (marriage certificate, death certificate)
- Proof of living situation (with spouse or parents)
- Your birth certificate as well as the birth certificates of your siblings that are younger than 14 years old
- Birth certificates of your children that are younger than 14 years old
- Proof of the children's living situation (with you)
- Own proof of assets and all bank statements for the last 18 months
- Proof of income of parents and spouse for the last 18 months (e.g. in the form of a tax assessment notice, pension notice, employment contracts, bank statements or death certificate, if applicable)
- Curriculum vitae (Resume)

## 2.d Application procedure

- The relevant data must be entered into the online application form
- Documents must be uploaded with certified translations (in German or English) in the correct fields
  
- In the case of **merit**-based scholarships for newly enrolled master's students, the original ranking certificate must be submitted by the deadline

## 2.d Application procedure

### **Application deadlines**

Merit-based waiver scholarships for newly enrolled students  
between November 1, 2024 and January 15, 2025 for summer semester 2025

Merit-based waiver scholarships from the third semester  
between May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025 for the following winter semester,

Need-based waiver scholarships  
between November 1, 2024 and January 15, 2025 for the summer semester 2025

## 2.d Award decision

### **Merit**-based waiver scholarships for newly enrolled students

Master's students (first semester) who are in the top five percent of their home university's ranking

### **Merit**-based waiver scholarships for TUM students

- Application in the second semester for funding in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semester
- Transcript of records based on grades and credits
- The founding of start-ups is taken into account
- Those with the highest performance will be offered a waiver scholarship

### **Need**-based waiver scholarships

- Master's and Bachelor students (first semester)
- Blind selection among all students who meet the requirements
- Priority will be given to people who are nationals of OACPS (Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States) countries

Numbers of all scholarships are limited

## 2.d Award decision

- The award decision is made available via the online portal where you apply for the waiver scholarship.
- The approval for the waiver scholarship **must be accepted** by the scholarship holder(s) **within two weeks in the online form.**



# Further Questions

If you have any questions now, please ask us in the chat section or send us an Email to:

[Stipendien.zv@tum.de](mailto:Stipendien.zv@tum.de)

TUM website page:

Stipendien:

<https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships/tum-scholarships>

Deutschlandstipendium

<https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships/tum-scholarships/deutschlandstipendium>

Stipendium für Internationale:

<https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships/tum-scholarships/scholarship-for-international-students-of-tum>

OKF:

<https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/scholarships/tum-scholarships/oskar-karl-forster-scholarship-financial-aid-for-dissertation-printing-costs>

More Options:

<https://www.stipendiumplus.de/startseite.html>

<https://www.mystipendium.de/>