



RISE 2025 - Research Internships in Science and Engineering

Information on a potential co-financing scheme for RISE interns

In our RISE Germany program, DAAD offers the option of Partner-Scholarships for German and US universities to sponsor more students than RISE program's financial budget alone would allow. For the past ten years, we have been able to invite over 300 RISE participants per year, thanks to co-operations with, for example, the German Research Foundation (DFG) or our Canadian partner Mitacs, and thanks to Partner-Scholarships offered by various US-American universities. Due to ongoing budget discussion, we are not able to tell the number of fully funded interns by DAAD for 2025.

What is the "Partner-Scholarship" and how does it work?

In the context of the Partner-Scholarship, the student's home institution provides the RISE Germany participant with the monthly stipend of 992 Euros, 10 weeks minimum and three months maximum stay.

Fully funded DAAD/RISE scholarships include:

- a monthly stipend of 992 Euros
- international travel subsidy
- health, accident, and personal liability insurance
- a two-day RISE meeting in Heidelberg 5-7 July
- an allowance of 160 Euros for travel to the meeting.

We will only rely on your Partner-Scholarship (992 Euros monthly rate) if one of your students cannot be supported through a fully DAAD funded scholarship and is waitlisted. How does this work?

The matching process of research internships and applicants is handled by our team at DAAD based on the ranking by the internship providers. If applicants from your university are placed among those top students (criteria: academic achievement and assessment by the internship provider), or in a project co-funded by our German partner DFG, your institution will not be asked to support any of your students with a Partner-Scholarship. After those slots are filled, we continue to match offers and students, even though our own funds are locked up. If one or more of your students are highly ranked by the internship providers on a slot without available funding, we contact you to see if you can support them with a Partner-Scholarship to enable them to participate in the RISE Germany program.

Should your university/department be willing to consider this as a possible option, please let us know who the appropriate person to contact would be. The matching process usually takes place in mid-February, and this is the time when we would get in touch with you regarding funding for Partner-Scholarships.

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