

## **Advertisement of 2 Scholarships for Doctoral Studies (October 2023 - September 2027) Doctoral Program: Ancient Languages and Texts**

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The Graduate School Scholarship Program (GSSP) of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is offering two doctoral scholarships to carry out a doctorate within the framework of “Ancient Languages and Texts” program.

**Ancient History, History of Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages; Ancient Oriental Languages; Ancient Philology: Greek (with Byzantine); Latin (Classical Latin, Middle and Modern Latin); Egyptology (with Coptology); Iranian Studies; Jewish Studies; Protestant Theology (with Old Testament/Hebrew Bible and Septuagint, New Testament, Church History); Religious Studies; Roman Law.**

Applicants must hold an outstanding Master's degree (MA, MSt, or MSc), or Diploma in one of the aforementioned subjects or be very close to completion.

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### **Doctoral program**

The doctoral program “Ancient Languages and Texts” (ALT) focuses on the written heritage of ancient cultures which includes literary works as well as documentary texts like inscriptions and papyri. Also, research is carried out into phenomena of mediality such as the interaction between texts and pictorial representations. In this line of inquiry, traditional philological methods are being combined with historical and cultural issues. In addition to that, particular emphasis is placed on theories and approaches of modern literary studies and linguistics. Topics and methods in the digital humanities and computer philology also belong to the program ALT. Thus, the program is characterized by a plurality of methods and a wide understanding of the concept of ‘a text’. Doctoral students are expected to participate in Digital Humanities training offered by BerGSAS.

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### **Who can apply?**

The call is only open to applicants who do not have German citizenship. They must not have completed a PhD previously. The most recent graduate degree (M.A.) must have been taken no more than 5 years, 9 months prior to the application deadline (last possible date of graduation: 1 April 2017). Applicants must not have been resident in Germany for more than the last 12 months as of the application deadline.

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## Duration and funding

The scholarships are available from 1 October 2023 (Wintersemester 2023/24) for four years, subject to a satisfactory annual progress review.

In accordance with DAAD guidelines, doctoral scholarship holders receive a stipend of 1,200 Euros a month, a travel allowance, a combined health, accident and liability insurance policy, allowances for study and research (rent and family allowances, where applicable); financial support for a pre-sessional German language course. Plus, material resources and supervision allowance of 1,000 Euros per year, which is paid to the BerGSAS.

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## Your Application

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## Application process

Application is only possible via the BerGSAS portal. The procedure takes place in two stages:

1<sup>st</sup> stage      Please register at <https://application.berliner-antike-kolleg.org/bergsas>

After you have created a personal account, you can **upload your application documents until 00:00 CEWT on 1 December 2022**. BerGSAS will invite shortlisted candidates to an online interview within two months of the application deadline.

2<sup>nd</sup> stage      BerGSAS will nominate the candidates selected for a scholarship to the DAAD. The DAAD will make the final selection and will inform you.

Please note that admission to doctoral studies and the receipt of a scholarship is subject to assessment by the Host University (Humboldt Universität or Freie Universität) and by the DAAD.

## Application documents

Letters of reference (2)      **Two letters of reference from university professors are required, one of which must be mandatory from a professor at your home university.** The letters are confidential documents and should be sent by the university teachers a PDF file directly to: [carmen.marcks-jacobs@berliner-antike-kolleg.org](mailto:carmen.marcks-jacobs@berliner-antike-kolleg.org)

Only the DAAD form, which can be downloaded here, may be used for this purpose: [www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/stipendien/formulare/recommendation.pdf](http://www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/stipendien/formulare/recommendation.pdf)

Your application documents

If registered at <https://application.berliner-antike-kolleg.org/bergsas>, you will find the list documents required. This includes among other documents copies of various documents (which do not have to be officially certified)

Certificate of a language examination in English e.g., IELTS Academic or TOEFL (at least B2 level)

Certificates of any academic degree (B.A. and M.A.) or advanced qualifications indicating grades and explaining the grading system of your home university

If you do not yet have a Master's degree: copies of certificates of annual examinations taken at your home university

### Application deadline

00:00 CEWT      The deadline for your application is 00:00 CEWT on **1 December 2022**.  
 2022-12-01      The selection committee will not consider incomplete or late applications.

For further inquiries please contact the coordinator

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