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PhD scholarship regulations of the German Sport University
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Purpose of the funding

The German Sport University Cologne awards internal PhD scholarships that support particularly qualified young researchers in their preparation for a PhD.

§ 2

Type of funding

- (1) The scholarships are awarded as basic scholarships. The time frame between PhD admission confirmation and start of funding should normally not exceed one year.
- (2) Funding services are granted as subsidies. There is no legal claim to these services. The scholarships are subject to budget reservations.

§ 3

Eligibility criteria

- (1) Candidates who have completed a university study programme in sport science or a subject with a sufficient link to sport science and who are enrolled as PhD students at the German Sport University Cologne are eligible to apply for an internal PhD scholarship, if the scientific project is expected to make an important contribution to research.
- (2) Candidates may also apply if they are not yet enrolled as PhD students, but meet the formal requirements. If the scholarship is awarded to a person who is not yet enrolled, the enrolment is to be confirmed by the start of funding at the latest. If the start of the scholarship is outside the possible enrolment periods, confirmation of the PhD office is to be provided indicating that the enrolment will take place in the following semester.
- (3) A basic scholarship can be awarded to anyone who demonstrates study and examination performances that exceed the average requirements. Both German and foreign nationals who are enrolled at the German Sport University Cologne at the time of application are eligible for funding. Graduate fellowships can only be awarded to foreign nationals if the legal residence requirements are met.
- (4) A scholarship cannot be granted if the applicant receives other funding from public or publicly funded private institutions for the same purpose and for the same period of time.
- (5) If two persons are equally qualified for a scholarship, preference will be given to the applicant who has no or a lower income.

§ 4

Amount of funding

- (1) The amount of the scholarship is € 1,350 per month. The scholarship recipient receives a supplement of € 200 in addition to the scholarship if there is at least one child to support.

§ 5

Secondary employment

Secondary activities are generally excluded. Exceptions from this are:

1. Secondary employment that is not closely related to the doctoral project is permitted up to an average of **eight** hours per week.
2. Secondary employment closely related to the doctoral project is permitted if it does not exceed an average of **fifteen** hours per week and it is ensured that the focus of all activities as a whole is clearly on the execution of the dissertation.

§ 6

Award responsibility

The Vice-President of Research, Scientific Staff and Young Academics decides on the funding and selection of applicants after consultation with the University Commission for Research.

§ 7

Application procedure

- (1) Applications for an internal graduate scholarship are to be submitted to the Vice-President of Research, Scientific Staff and Young Academics of the German Sport University Cologne with the documents required in the respective call.
- (2) The applicant shall be notified in writing of the decision on the application.

§ 8

Duration of the approval

- (1) The scholarships are initially approved for two years (basic scholarship). After one year, a short report must be submitted and a mandatory status interview must be held with staff members of the department for research and young scientists.
- (2) The scholarship may be extended for a further year if the scientific achievements to date justify further funding. For this purpose, an application for extension with a detailed description of the status of the dissertation project in terms of content and time (work report) must be submitted to the Vice-President of Research, Scientific Staff and Young Academics of the German Sport University Cologne three months before the end of the basic scholarship period. The work report must contain both the chronological course and results of the work to date, as well as a schedule for the anticipated completion of the work.
- (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs 1 and 2, a scholarship may also be granted or extended for a shorter period of time, provided that the purpose of the funding can be achieved within this period.

§ 9

Final report

Immediately after completion of the funding, a report on the work during the entire funding period must be submitted (final report) and the result of the project must be outlined. If the dissertation has been submitted, notification of this is sufficient.

§ 10

Revocation of the notice of approval

- (1) The notice of award must be revoked with effect for the future if facts indicate that the grant recipient is not making the necessary efforts to achieve the purpose of the grant and is responsible for this. If these facts already existed in the past funding period, the notice of award may be revoked for the past.
- (2) The decision on the presentation of the prerequisites of the facts of the case for revocation specified in paragraph 1 shall be made by the Vice-President of Research, Scientific Staff and Young Academics. The scholarship recipient must be heard before the decision is made and informed of the facts at hand.

§ 11

End of funding

Funding ends either at the end of the grant period or:

1. at the end of the month of the oral doctoral examination;
2. at the beginning of the month in which the scholarship recipient takes up an activity which is not an activity compatible with § 5 of these regulations;
3. with the effectiveness of the revocation in accordance with § 10 of these regulations.

§ 12

PhD scholarships within the framework of graduate training programmes

- (1) Graduate training programmes are university implementations for the promotion of young scientists. The focus is on the qualification of doctoral candidates within the framework of a thematically focused research programme and a structured qualification concept.
- (2) The Vice-President of Research, Scientific Staff and Young Academics advised by an ad-hoc commission, decides on the applications received from applicants and on the applications for extension. The commission consists of the participating scientists of the graduate training programme. Decisions are made by simple majority; in the event of a tie, the spokesperson has the casting vote. For the duration and extension of the fellowship within the framework of the Graduate training programme, §8 shall apply accordingly.

§ 13

Entry into force, publication

These regulations shall enter into force on the day following their publication in the Official Notices of the German Sport University Cologne.

Issued on the basis of the resolution of the senate on 27th of November 2018.

Cologne, 27th of November 2018

The President of the German Sport University Cologne
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These regulations have been drafted in German and English. In case of ambiguities the German version shall prevail.