Submitting an application

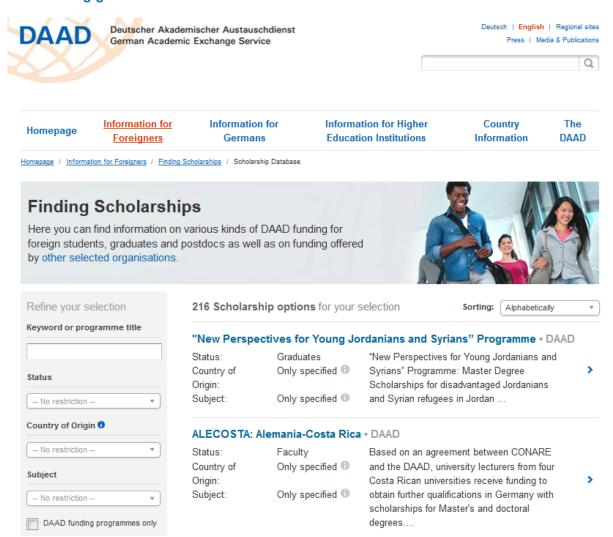
Procedure

1. If you would like to submit an application via the DAAD Portal, please start by selecting your chosen programme in our database for scholarship holders or academic teaching staff. This ensures that the programme and other information is already entered in the application form, making it easier for you to fill in.

The scholarship database can be found outside the DAAD Portal, on the DAAD website.

The web address is as follows:

www.funding-guide.de



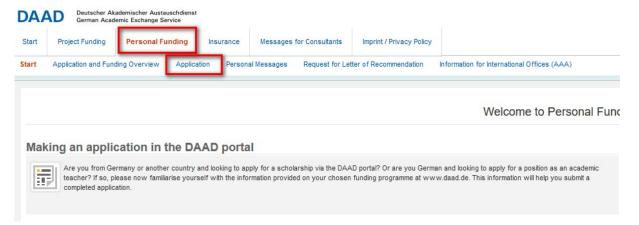
2. a. Programme selection by using the link of the scholarship database

After selecting your programm, you will be given detailed information on your selection. In the tab "Submitting an application" on the bottom of the page you will find the link that will take you to the DAAD Portal and provide the DAAD Portal with information on your selection.

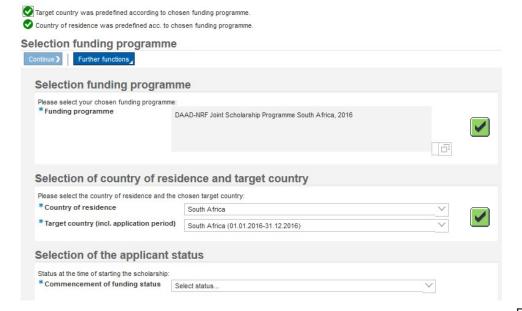


You will be directed to the DAAD Portal login page. If you have not yet registered an account, please do so now. Consult the chapter "*Registration*" of the documentation if you require help with this procedure.

Once you have logged in, you will be taken directly to the *"Personal funding"* section of the Portal. To begin the application process, please click on the field "*Application*".

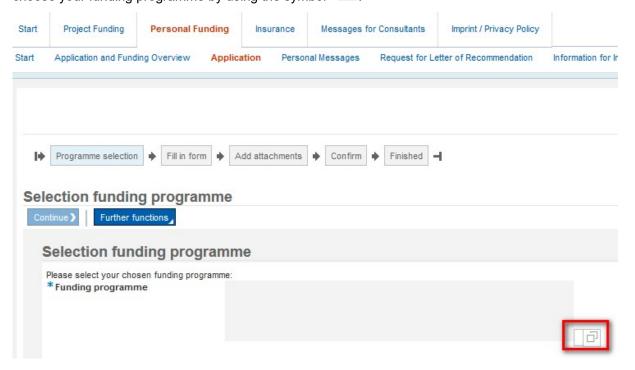


The funding programme, the country in which the programme is being offered, the destination country and sometimes the applicant status are entered automatically in advance based on your selections before.

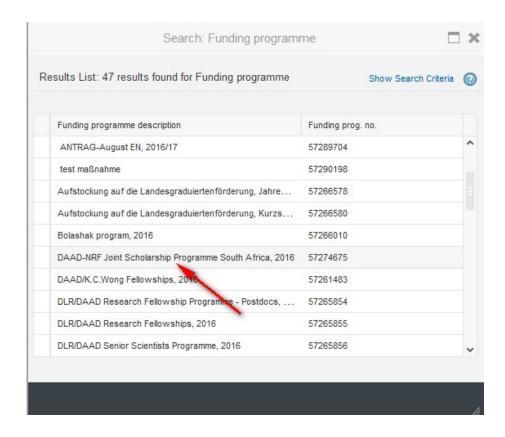


b. Programme selection manually in the Portal

Please log in to the Portal and select "*Application*" in the section "*Personal Funding*". Then choose your funding programme by using the symbol ...



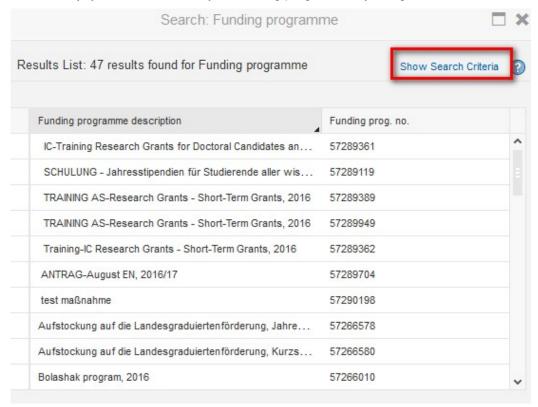
You will see a pop-up window with all current funding programmes. By double-click you can select your funding programme.



You can select the fields "Country of residence", "Target Country" and "Commencement of funding status" by using the symbol .



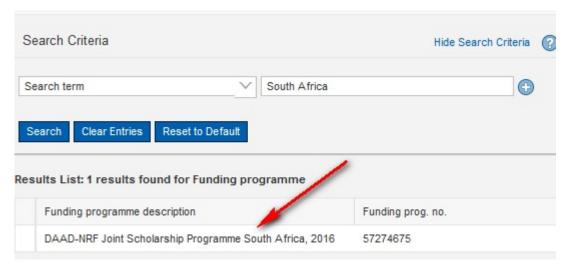
Alternatively, you can also select your funding programme by using "Show Search Criteria".



Please fill in a key word regarding your funding proggramme or your funding programme number in the field "Search term" (a) and select the button "Search" (b).



In case there is a match you will be able to select your requested funding programme by double click.



3. To go to the application form, click on "*Continue*" above the selected funding programme.



4. This will take you to the "Fill in form" section.



5. In the "*Personal funding*" section, we provide a step-by-step procedure for you to follow, to download an application form, fill it in and upload it again to the Portal.

This procedure is divided into three different steps:

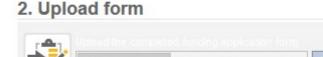
- Step 1: Download the form and fill in the required information
- Step 2: Upload the form
- Step 3: The form is checked automatically by the system

You can navigate from step to step by clicking on Continue to next step



The currently active step will be shown in *white*. In the illustration below, this is step 1 (*Download form*). Step 2 and 3 are greyed out.

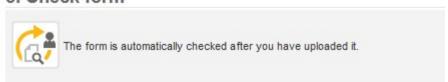
1. Download form Click here to download a new funding application form. Save the form locally. Continue to next step



Durchsuchen.



3. Check form

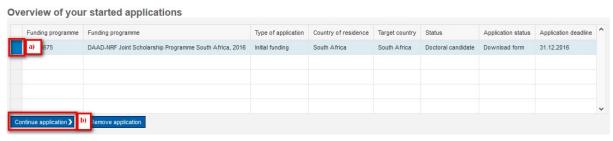




After you have downloaded the application form, you can fill it in outside the Portal. Once you have completed the form, save it and go back into the Portal and return to the "*Personal funding*" tab.

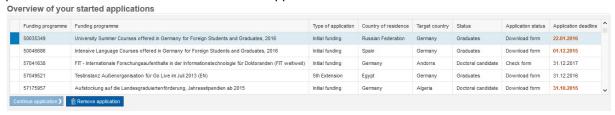


Here, on the lower half of the homepage, you will find an overview of the application(s) you have started. Highlight your application so that it is marked in blue (a) and click on "Continue application"(b).





If the application deadline for a funding programme has passed, the end of the application period is shown in red in the table of started applications.



If you select a started application after the deadline has passed, the "Continue application" button will be greyed out, making it impossible to continue the application process any further.

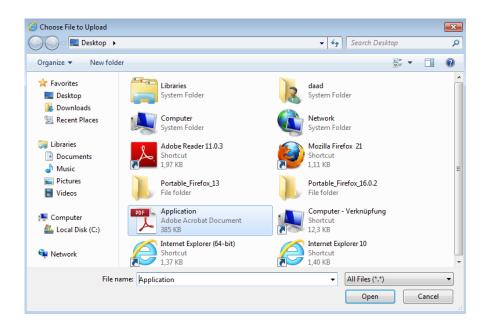


6. To upload a completed form, confirm that you have downloaded the form by clicking on the button "Continue to the next step".

Continue to next step

7. Finally, in step 2 (Upload the form), you can select the completed form on your data carrier using the "Browse..." button and upload it by clicking on "Upload".





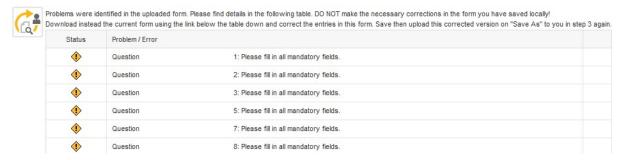
2. Upload form





The uploaded form is now checked automatically to ensure that it is complete. If any mandatory fields have not been filled in, for example, such errors are shown in a list under Step 3.

3. Check form



8. If there are problems with your application, please make sure that you download the current form via the link "Download current application form". Do not use the version of the file already saved to your computer. Please make the necessary changes in the current form and use the "Save as" function to save the new, corrected document in a location of your choice. This ensures you are able to upload the most recent version to the portal.



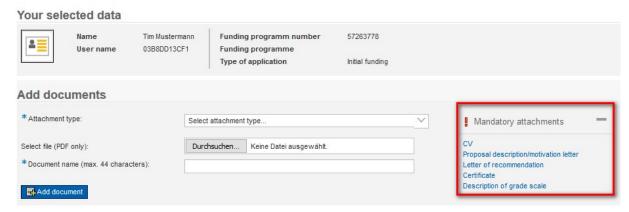
- 9. To upload the corrected form, click on This will take you back to step 2.
- **10.** If your corrections are successful, you will receive a message to confirm this. Clicking on "Continue" will then take you to the "Add Attachments" section, the third part of the application process.







In the "Add Attachments" section, you can add the required attachments to your funding application. On the right side you will see blue-lined all mandatory attachments for your funding programme.





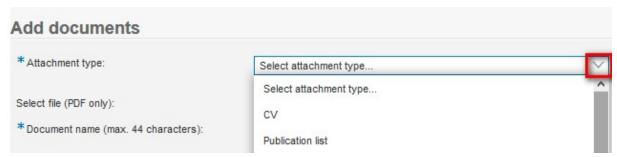
To ensure that we can process these attachments in our digital files, please upload them <u>in</u> <u>PDF format only</u>. Any other file format will need to be converted beforehand. Please note that changing the end of the file name (e.g. from "doc" to "pdf") is not a viable way of converting files in this case.

Current versions of most Office suites offer a "Save as PDF" function. Additionally, there are several freeware programs which can be used to convert Word documents to PDF.

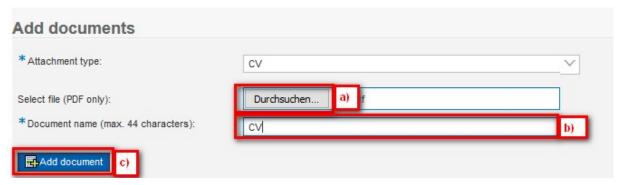
Please also make sure that the PDF files you upload are NOT encrypted and do NOT have any commenting restrictions on them. It is also advisable to check documents which you have already received in PDF format.

These PDFs cannot be processed in our system, so we would have to ask for the document to be resubmitted.

11. To add attachments, first choose the type of attachment from the drop-down menu by clicking the symbol .



12. Click on "Browse..." (a) to find and select the relevant PDF on your system. After that, enter a unique, specific name (b), under which the attachment will be filed and click "Add Document" (c).

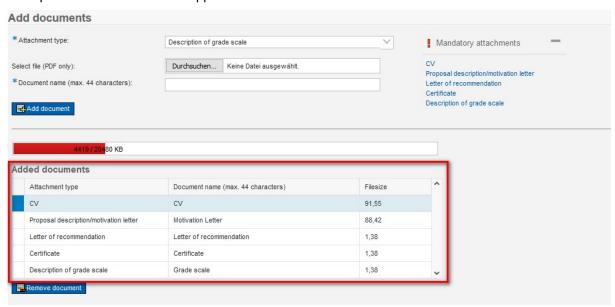


Only the specified number of documents can be uploaded for each attachment type.

In the upper left corner, you will see a confirmation that your attachment has been added to your application.



The uploaded attachment now appears in the list of added documents.



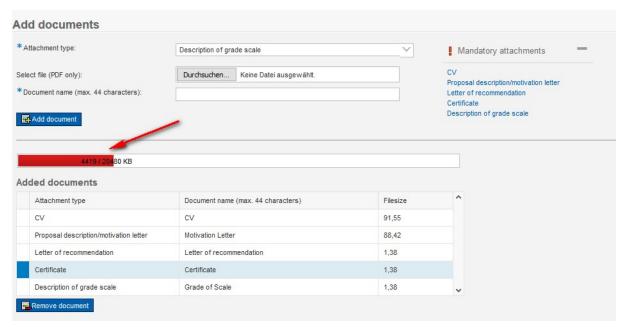
13. Please note that you will not be able to submit your application without uploading the attachments required by your specific funding programme (please consult your funding guide).

As long as you have not uploaded at least one document of each required attachment type (see the notice on the right side of the portal), the "Continue" button will be greyed out and not selectable.



14. Please also note that per attachment type there is a restriction of the number of files and the file-size itself (e.g. "You may upload 5 documents each with a maximum filesize of 5MB").

Furthermore a progress bar shows how many kilobytes have been uploaded and if the maximum size of all added documents has been reached.



15. Once you have uploaded your required attachments, click on "*Continue*" in the navigation menu in the top left.



16. This will take you to the next step of your application "Confirm".



Here you can have the opportunity to access your application form and the uploaded attachments before you actually submit it.

If you wish, you can make changes to the form or upload further attachments.

Application form



Click here, to download and save the form for your records prior to submitting it.

Attachments to the application



Motivation Letter Motivation.pdf Proposal description/motivation letter Download Letter of recommendation Letter_of_recommendation.pdf Letter of recommendation Download Certificate Certificate.pdf Certificate Download Grade of Scale Description_of_grade_scale.pdf Description of grade scale Download

Document type

CV

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Click here, to edit the attachments.

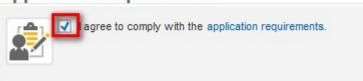
17. Please confirm that you agree about the notification to our process after your submission by clicking the box:

"Several minutes after submitting your application (in times of increased application activity this might take up to several hours) you will receive a confirmation message containing the pdf attachment "Application summary" (see "Personal Funding" area, main tab "Application and Funding Overview", sub tab "Applications and funding").

This must be printed out and sent by mail to the applications office responsible for your country by the application deadline stated for your country in 1 paper copies. The application is only valid if it is also submitted in hard copy (exclusively as a printout of the "application summary" mentioned above) by mail and before the deadline. For your application location and deadline: see the programme advertisement. "

18. In order to submit your application, you will have to confirm that you agree to comply with the application requirements and that you have acknowledged the general provisions on data protection.





Privacy protection



After you have acknowledged the notes, you can send the application via the button "Send Documents".

Send documents The application has no technical problems. Please note that you will not be able to change the application and attachments in the portal once they have been sent. It is also not possible to recall your application! Please check your details in the application form and your attachments one final time before sending. Click on "Send documents" to submit the application to the DAAD.

19. You will then see a note confirming that your application has been submitted successfully.



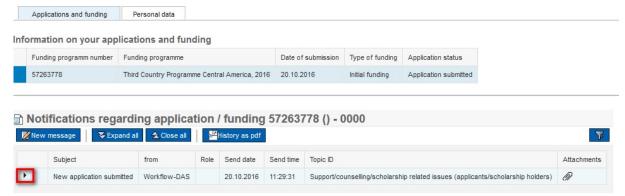


A few minutes after sending your application, you will be able to view it in the "Application and funding overview".



20. In the messaging system located below the applications you will find an additional confirmation of your submitted application. An email will inform you when messages arrive for you in this section.

To open a message, please click the black arrow in front of it.

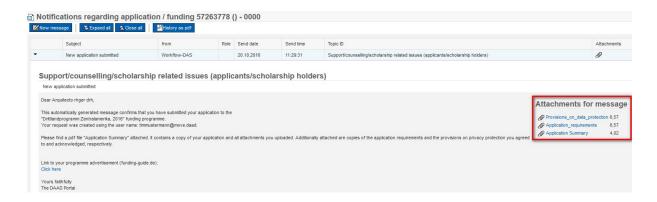




If you have already submitted more than one application, you will first need to select the correct one to view your messages. The chosen line will be highlighted in blue.



21. Attached to the confirmation of the successful submission of the application you will find a PDF file titled "*Application Summary*". It contains your application form and all submitted attachments. Furthermore your will find attached "*application requirements*" and "*provision on data protection*".



Please take note of the next steps required for the application process listed in the confirmation message, specifically regarding the mailing of physical copies of your forms to the information and advice center in your country.

22. To exit the Portal please click "*Log off*" in the upper right corner and click "*Yes*" in the confirmation dialogue.

