



BAFÖG FOR ABROAD

What is BAföG abroad?

The following applies to BAföG abroad: BAföG consists of half a grant and half an interest-free loan. This means that after the end of your studies you only have to pay back half of the money.

Who is entitled to BAföG abroad?

Anyone who completes a study period or a compulsory internship abroad. Within the EU and in Switzerland, you can receive funding for your entire studies. In the rest of the world, you must have already studied in Germany for one year. Only then can you receive funding abroad for a maximum of one year. Studies abroad must take at least one semester, and a mandatory internship must take at least twelve weeks.

Who is my contact person?

Your application will be processed in a rolling system by the BAföG team according to the date of receipt. Therefore, you do not have a constant contact person.

Important

If you already receive BAföG funding in Germany, this cannot be taken abroad. You must submit a separate application for funding abroad.



When and where do I have to submit the application?

You should apply for funding six months before the start of your stay abroad. Depending on where you are studying, other BAföG offices are responsible throughout Germany. You can find the responsibilities at studentenwerke.de/de/node/1047

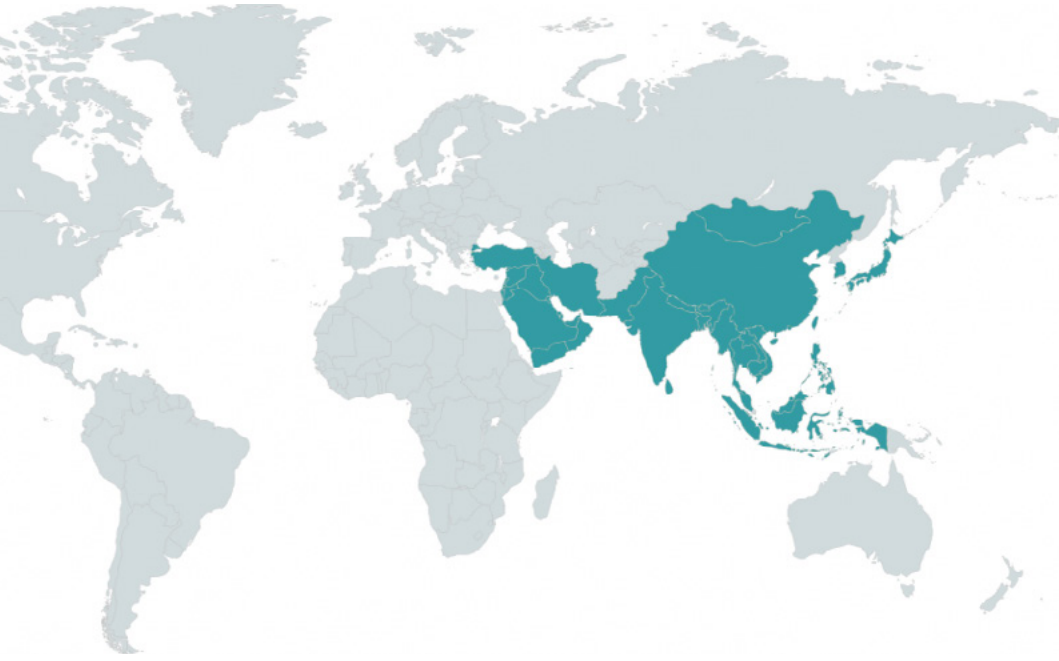
How should I submit an application?

With BAföG Digital you can submit your BAföG application on your computer create, edit and digitally send it. If you prefer an offline contact method you can download the BAföG forms for a stay in Asia or Turkey on our website. Responsible for these countries is our BAföG office at Bismarckstraße 24 in Reutlingen.

If you do not manage to complete all the necessary forms by the start of the semester, you can first send an informal application to meet the deadline and then submit all the missing documents in good time.

How much is the financial aid?

The funding abroad is the same as the financial aid you receive in Germany. In addition, there are some surcharges, for example for the outward and return journey, health insurance or possible tuition fees. It is worthwhile to apply for BAföG for your planned stay abroad: even if your BAföG application in Germany is rejected due to insufficient financial means, your stay abroad could still be subsidized.



For which countries are we responsible?

Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Iran, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Laos, Lebanon, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, North Korea, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Syria, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Vietnam, Yemen.

Application & forms

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