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Funding opportunities for students with a refugee or migrant background	
<p>You can apply to <i>the 13 Begabtenförderungswerke</i> (organisations for the promotion of gifted and talented students) if you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have German citizenship or - are a student from an EU member state or - meet the criteria according to § 8 BAföG (citizenship) 	<p>www.stipendiumplus.de</p>
<p>Hamburg Stipendium - Studierendenwerk Hamburg supports Hamburg students with a migration or refugee background whose parents did not attend university in Germany. As a Hamburg scholarship holder, you do not only receive financial support, but you also become part of the network. You can participate in events and establish contacts with companies and institutions.</p>	<p>www.stwhh.de/studienfinanzierung/stipendien/das-hamburg-stipendium</p>
<p>Grundförderung für Ausländer:innen – With this program, the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung supports refugees and international students who are already enrolled in a German higher education institution. You can apply if you can demonstrate above-average performance, very good German language skills and commitment to social democracy.</p>	<p>www.fes.de/studienfoerderung/grundfoerderung-fuer-auslaender-innen/</p>
Funding opportunities for students with a refugee background	
<p>Stipendium für Geflüchtete – Evangelisches Studienwerk Villigst offers a scholarship for refugee students. You must not yet have exceeded the 3rd semester and have German language skills at level C1.</p>	<p>www.evstudienwerk.de/bewerbung/gefluechtete/unsere-stipendium.html</p>
<p>DAAD scholarship for Ukrainian graduates, doctoral students and doctoral candidates. Funding is provided for a short stay for research purposes at a state or state-recognized German university or non-university research institution in Germany.</p>	<p>www.daad-ukraine.org/en/2023/10/19/new-daad-scholarship-programme-future-ukraine-research-grants-for-ukrainian-master-s-students-and-researchers/</p>



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Subject-specific scholarships	
<p>Horizonte - The Claussen-Simon Stiftung supports student teachers at the University of Hamburg with a migration background. This means you yourself or at least one parent was born abroad and immigrated to Germany. Good to very good grades and German language skills at level B1 are required. You will receive both financial and non-material support for a maximum of two years.</p>	<p>www.claussen-simon-stiftung.de/de/bildung-schule/horizonte</p>
<p>Medicus - The German University Foundation offers a scholarship for medical students: 1:1 mentoring by university lecturers close to the subject and place of study. Admission via the Tandem and Welcome Program. After the Physics exam, the medical students switch to the Medicus program. Workshops on medical topics, personal coaching, annual call-off budget for study-related costs.</p>	<p>www.deutsche-universitaetsstiftung.de/stipendienprogramme/medicus/</p>
Idealistic support (networks, mentoring, workshops etc.)	
<p>Geh deinen Weg – The Deutschlandstiftung Integration supports young people with an immigrant background with a mentoring program, workshops and events.</p>	<p>www.deutschlandstiftung.net/projekte/geh-deinen-weg-programm</p>
<p>Schotstek – The Hamburg-based initiative Schotstek supports students who have immigrated alone or come from immigrant families. Workshops, networks, coaching, mentoring and much more are offered.</p>	<p>www.schotstek.com</p>
<p>Welcome - The Deutsche Universitätsstiftung offers a scholarship for Bachelor students: You will receive 1:1 support from a university lecturer close to your subject and place of study, workshops, coaching and training for the duration of your first degree. There is an annual budget for study-related costs. Application requirement: German language skills at C1 level.</p>	<p>www.deutsche-universitaetsstiftung.de/stipendienprogramme/welcome/</p>



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Scholarship databases	
The DAAD database offers an overview of scholarships for international students, graduates and postdocs in Germany from the DAAD as well as other scholarship providers. At the time of your application your stay in Germany should not exceed 15 months in general.	www.daad.de/deutschland/en/
In the large database „ e-fellows.net “ you can find more than 1.100 scholarships from 680 organizations.	www.e-fellows.net/Studium/Stipendien/Stipendien-Datenbank/Stipendium-suchen-finden
ELFI - Servicestelle für Elektronische Forschungsförderinformationen , offers the opportunity to look for scholarships.	www.elfi.info/studentenservice.php
Using a questionnaire MyStipendium generates an individual profile which will be compared to the profiles of different foundations. Under the button “Stipendienverzeichnis” you find a summing up of scholarships. The scholarship-index includes about. 3.300 scholarships as well as a few other means of income while studying. This database is only available in German.	www.mystipendium.de
The Hamburger Stiftungsdatenbank lists all foundations in Hamburg. Keywords might be “Studium” or “Stipendien”.	serviceportal.hamburg.de/HamburgGateway/FVP/FV/Justiz/Stiftungsdatenbank/ (→ Hamburger Stiftungsdatenbank)
Support for scholarship applications	
In the interviews on ArbeiterKind.de , you can find out more about the funding, the application process, and the motivation of individual scholarship holders.	www.arbeiterkind.de/studium-finanzieren/stipendien
ArbeiterKind also offers counseling in sign language.	
ApplicAid is a non-profit organization. Its services are designed to support people with difficulties in their educational background and from educationally disadvantaged groups who face obstacles in applying for scholarships due to their personal circumstances.	www.applicaid.org
You can register with ApplicAid as a mentee and receive personal support with your scholarship application. Counseling is also offered in English.	
ApplicAid has published a scholarship guide, which you can download for free here:	www.applicaid.org/angebot
There is also a weekly podcast in which interview partners offer personal insights into scholarship programs.	www.applicaid.org/podcast

