

Two DAAD-funded scholarships for doctoral students

The Bernstein Center for Computational Neuroscience Berlin is happy to announce two DAAD-funded scholarships for doctoral students.

Two excellent doctoral student candidates will be selected to receive scholarships from the DAAD as part of the Graduate School Scholarship Program (GSSP).

- The scholarships begin in October 2026 à 1,300€/ month, for up to a maximum of 4 years,
- In addition to the scholarship, health insurance, accident insurance, and liability insurance will be covered by the DAAD,
- Scholarship recipients can also receive assistance for their rent payments,
- Scholarship recipients with families may receive additional funding,
- Scholarship recipients will have access to a country-specific travel budget from the DAAD,
- Scholarship recipients will have access to additional Study and Research grants,
- Can have German courses financed by the DAAD.

To be eligible for the GSSP scholarships, the student must:

- Have an excellent academic profile and must have completed their master's (or equivalent) by the start of the funding period (October 2026),
- Can not have completed their master's (or equivalent) more than 6 years ago,
- At the time of application (March 2026), can not have been a resident in Germany for more than 15 months,
- Can not already have a PhD,
- Can not perform more than 25% of their doctoral work outside of Germany, and external work can not take place at the start of the doctoral project.

To be awarded the GSSP scholarship, the student must:

1. Apply to the BCCN PhD program --> **Application deadline March 15th 2026!**
2. A member of the BCCN Berlin must agree to supervise and accept the student to their group for the duration of their PhD.
3. A project proposal outlining the general goals of the doctoral project must have been agreed upon by the student and the BCCN Berlin supervisor by the application deadline.

For more information on how to apply to the International Doctoral Program Computational Neuroscience of the BCCN Berlin, please see this website:

<https://www.bccn-berlin.de/doctoral-program-application.html>

An Information session about the graduate programs will take place in January 2026:

<https://www.bccn-berlin.de/events-list/information-day-2026-international-graduate-programs-computational-neuroscience.html>