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**Marietta Blau-Grant**

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## Goals of the programme:

Financial support for doctoral/PhD students currently enrolled at an Austrian university who want to spend 6 to 12 months abroad with the intent to optimize their thesis.

## Financing authority:

Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy (BMWFW)

## Programme-executing agency:

Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research



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## Target group:

Highly qualified doctoral/PhD students currently enrolled for not more than six semesters at an Austrian university.

## Key facts:

- € 1.500,-- / month (Partial grant; it might be necessary to additionally rely on own funds; no additional travel allowance; free of Austrian income taxes)
- Open to all doctoral / PhD- students from Austrian universities regardless their nationality
- For non German native speakers English as the main Language of application is allowed



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## Application deadline and possible startig date:

- Application deadline in **September**: starting date between February and August
- Application deadline in **February**: starting date between August and January

## Grant duration:

- 6 to 12 months (end date within 18 months after starting date)
- It is possible to apply for research visits to multiple countries (except Austria); however, all visits have to be combined in one application.
- It is possible to split the grant into periods shorter than the originally awarded 6 to 12 months, however, periods of less than 3 months are not permissible.



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Suche nach Namen

Suche nach Kategorie

Herkunftsland:

Zielland:

- Förderart:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Förderungen für ganzes Studienprogramm im Zielland | <input type="checkbox"/> Zuschüsse            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Semester- und/oder Jahresstipendien                | <input type="checkbox"/> Preise               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sommerstipendien                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Forschungsstipendien |
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## Application requirements :

- Highly qualified doctoral/PhD students currently enrolled for not more than six semesters at an Austrian university. The study progress must be efficient and uninterrupted. In case of interruptions and delays (such as childcare, home care for relatives, military or civil service, etc.), applicants should provide relevant proof.
- There is no age limit: nevertheless it is one goal of the grant to support young academics in the early years of their academic career. The professional and scientific career after finishing the programme should be plausible. The grant is not intended to support lifelong learning.



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## Requirements:

- Please make sure that you have not yet started your grant project abroad at the time of the application..
- Persons who have already received a doctoral grant from funds provided by the BMWFW are excluded from a repeated application.
- Applicants whose native language is not German may also complete the form in English.
- Incomplete forms will not be considered.
- A late submission of missing or incomplete documents is not possible.





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## Enclosed documents:

- **Proof of admission** to an Austrian doctoral programme. (Studienblatt, Studienbestätigung, Studienzeitbestätigung, Inskriptionsbestätigung or similar)
- **Dissertation agreement** (written confirmation stating the dissertation supervisor and the topic as well as a confirmation of the home university that the dissertation topic has been submitted and approved).
- **Letter of recommendation** issued by the dissertation supervisor (including a stamp of the institution and signature of the person recommending the applicant).



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## Enclosed documents:

- Exposé or proposal (justifying the necessity of the stay abroad, defining the problem, aims, methodology, and schedule and including a selective bibliography) – 5 pages in German or English.
- A first outline of the dissertation or an abstract (approx. 1 page, in German or English).
- Letter of confirmation issued by the supervisor at the applicant's target institution(s), if available and as the case may be a confirmation that the applicant may use rooms and resources at the institute (stamp plus signature), if necessary.
- All clearances necessary for the research project (e.g. declaration of no objection of the ethics commission or the animal testing commission).



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## Selection procedure:

- Formal check of the application documents.
- Plausibility check.
- Evaluation of the research proposal by two external experts.
- Interviews by a committee in Vienna.
- Final decision by the grant committee



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## Hints for a successful application:

- Make sure to apply for a research stay versus a mere exchange stay abroad
- Make sure to fulfill all the formal requirements and double check your attachments. In the case of uncertainty ask the programme office.
- Clear and coherent entries: Your application is your calling card.
- Missing information cannot be evaluated
- Answer the following questions before starting the application: What do you want to do, how to you want to establish it, where and why do you want to go abroad for your research?



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## Hints for a successful application:

- Please prepare all your entries on a scratch paper before you fill out the online form
- Start with the complex answers first and then summarize the information
- Take your time for the application: do not wait until the last minute
- Do not forget to proofread and ask for feedback from others
- Make sure to address different type of readers with your application
- Please be aware that questions only apparently do repeat



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## Tips for the interview:

- The members of the interview committee are not experts in your research field
- Use therefore a generally understandable language
- You will be asked questions; a longer presentation is not possible
- Make sure to know your application, read it again before the interview
- Practice an interview situation (20 min) with friends
- Application and interview should be coherent



## additional questions

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Thank you!

