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Deadline for DAAD Undergraduate Scholarship



The DAAD's **Undergraduate Scholarship** supports exceptional Bachelor-level students interested in carrying out either a study stay at a German university or an internship in Germany (so long as this is required by their Canadian degree program). Stays can be for one semester (4 months) or two (10 months). Scholarship holders receive EUR 650/month to offset living expenses along with health and liability insurance and a subsidy for transatlantic travel.

This grant is typically used by students participating in exchange or study abroad programs offered by their Canadian university.

The **deadline** for students interested in being considered for a scholarship to support study stays or internships during the 2017-18 academic year is **January 31, 2017**.

For more information on this program including eligibility details and how to apply, [click here](#).

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Deadlines for DAAD RISE Programs



DAAD's **RISE Germany** program offers undergraduate students in the Natural Sciences or Engineering the chance to take part in a summer research internship in the lab of a German PhD student. Typically students apply to take part in their 2nd or 3rd year of study. The working language in the lab is English and the host institution is responsible for helping interns find appropriate housing. These internships run between 10 and 12 weeks in length and successful applicants receive a EUR 650/month scholarship to cover living expenses along with a travel stipend to help defray transatlantic travel costs.

The database containing project descriptions will be live from December 1 - January 15. During this time, students can register with the portal and file an online application including three project choices.

The deadline for applications to the 2017 round of RISE Germany is **January 15, 2017**.

[Visit the RISE Germany website](#) to learn more about the program and details on applying.

The **RISE Professional** program offers students enrolled in full-time Master's or PhD level studies in fields related to the Natural Sciences and Engineering the chance to apply to complete a three month internship with a company or non-university research institution in Germany. Successful applicants receive a scholarship from DAAD and an additional stipend from their host to help cover living expenses.

The application portal containing descriptions of this year's internships will go live on December 1, 2016 with **the application deadline** following on **January 31, 2017**.

For more information on RISE Professional, including a link to the application portal, please visit the program's webpage by [clicking here](#).

Prof. Laurence McFalls Receives the *Bundesverdienstkreuz*



Prof. Laurence McFalls receives the *Bundesverdienstkreuz*
from Mr. Walter Leuchs, Consul General of the Federal Republic
of Germany in Montréal

DAAD North America would like to extend congratulations to Professor Laurence McFalls, a North American pioneer in the area of GDR research and the Director of the DAAD-funded Centre canadien d'études allemandes et européennes at the Université de Montréal, who was recently awarded the Federal Cross of Merit (*Bundesverdienstkreuz*) by the Federal Republic of Germany.

DAAD Germany had a chance to speak with Prof. McFalls on the occasion of this honour, and you'll find an interview with him (in German) online [here](#).

So German! Si Allemand ! Photo Contest



What's "So German!" about your town or city? Take a look around at your surroundings and document in a photo an example of where Germany is found in your environment. Submit this along with a short explanation of how you see Germany in the image (in German, English or French) and you could win a great prize (iPad, gift card for [Goethe](#)

[Books](#)). Winning photos will appear on the *So German! Si Allemand !* website at: www.sogerman.ca

This contest is open to current students at Canadian high schools, colleges/CEGEPs and universities.

For full contest rules, [click here](#).

Entries may be submitted via email by writing: contest@sogerman.ca

The contest will run from 9:00am (EST) December 13, 2016 to 5:00pm (EST) January 20, 2017.

Entries should include:

- Applicant's name, email address along with the name of his/her high school, college, CEGEP or university;
- one (1) photo of a maximum size of 5 MB;
- a short explanatory text of no more than 500 characters (written in English, French or German)

Good luck!

The *So German! Si Allemand !* Photo Contest is presented by:

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DAAD Alumni Profile: Rev. Ralph Carl Wushke

President of the DAAD Canada Alumni Association, Ralph Carl Wushke (DAAD Summer German Scholarship, 1974) is a United Church of Canada minister serving as a chaplain at the University of Toronto and at Bathurst United Church, Toronto. Ralph Carl holds a B.A. from the University of Regina, an M. Div. from Lutheran Theological Seminary (Saskatoon), a B. Journ. from Carleton University, and a Th. M. from Emmanuel College of Victoria University (University of Toronto).

In 1974 Ralph Carl received a DAAD Summer German Language Scholarship which he used to study at the Goethe-Institut in Schwäbisch Hall. In the years since, he has continued to build on and use his German skills in many ways: in global ecumenical work with the Lutheran World Federation and the World Council of Churches, as well as in Canada/Germany parish exchanges and with German speaking students at the University of Toronto.



"As a German-Canadian," Ralph Carl writes, "I was very enthusiastic about building on the German language and culture that came with my immigrant heritage. Over the years my German skills have continued to improve and been invaluable for maintaining friendships and professional relationships in Germany and with Germans. Germany feels like a second home to me, and I have been able to be the bridge connecting the Canadian and German branches of the family. I have been able to preach and lead worship in the German language on both sides of the Atlantic. There are few places in the world that I feel more existentially and spiritually at home than in northern Germany, particularly Mecklenburg-Vorpommern and Brandenburg."

Ralph Carl has held a number of other fellowships, the most recent from the University of Winnipeg (The Dr. Andrew B. Moore Travelling Fellowship) which took him to Cuba for a four-month sabbatical in fall 2015. Reflecting on the future, Ralph Carl relates how he feels a profound connection to Cuba and Cubans along with the culture and history of the island: "I feel like my retirement projects will alternate between Cuba and Germany, based on the weather."

The DAAD Alumni Association Canada was founded in 1999 with the aim of creating a strong community for DAAD alumni in Canada and strengthening the relationship between Canada and Germany. Its mission is to:

- strengthen ties between DAAD alumni, both in Canada and abroad;
- promote funding opportunities in Germany and encourage Canadian students and faculty to study and/or conduct research in Germany;
- foster personal and academic contact with Germans and German institutions;
- promote German culture and language at Canadian schools, colleges and universities.

If you are interested in getting involved with the DAAD Canada Alumni Association, please contact our President Ralph Carl Wushke by writing ecumenical.chaplain@utoronto.ca

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The deadline for the international program is March 31, 2017. Our program starts in September 2017.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our NIT Admissions Team.

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