





### Agricultural institutes at German universities (selection)

Offering research opportunities in various fields

(Websites can be switched to English language.)

<b>Kassel University</b>	Faculty of Organic and Agricultural Sciences	<a href="http://www.uni-kassel.de/fb11agrar/en/home.html">www.uni-kassel.de/fb11agrar/en/home.html</a>
	International Center for Development and Decent Work	<a href="http://www.uni-kassel.de/einrichtungen/icdd/home.html">www.uni-kassel.de/einrichtungen/icdd/home.html</a>
<b>Bonn University</b>	Faculty of Agriculture	<a href="http://www.lwf.uni-bonn.de">www.lwf.uni-bonn.de</a>
	Center for Development Research	<a href="http://www.zef.de">www.zef.de</a>
<b>Humboldt University Berlin</b>	Albrecht Daniel Thaer – Institute of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences	<a href="http://www.agrar.hu-berlin.de">www.agrar.hu-berlin.de</a>
<b>Giessen University</b>	Faculty 09 – Agricultural Sciences – Nutritional Sciences – Environmental Management	<a href="http://www.uni-giessen.de/cms/fbz/fb09">www.uni-giessen.de/cms/fbz/fb09</a>
<b>Goettingen University</b>	Faculty of Agricultural Sciences	<a href="http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/5855.html">www.uni-goettingen.de/en/5855.html</a>
	International Max Planck Research School “Moleculare Biology”	<a href="http://www.gpmolbio.uni-goettingen.de">www.gpmolbio.uni-goettingen.de</a>
<b>Hohenheim University</b>	Faculty of Agricultural Sciences	<a href="http://www.uni-hohenheim.de/einrichtung/fakultaet-agrarwissenschaften">www.uni-hohenheim.de/einrichtung/fakultaet-agrarwissenschaften</a>
<b>Technical University Munich</b>	School of Life Sciences Weihenstephan	<a href="http://www.wzw.tum.de">www.wzw.tum.de</a>
<b>Kiel University</b>	Department of Agricultural Economics	<a href="http://www.agric-econ.uni-kiel.de">www.agric-econ.uni-kiel.de</a>
<b>Hanover University</b>	Faculty of Natural Sciences (most institutes related to agrcl)	<a href="http://www.naturwissenschaften.uni-hannover.de">www.naturwissenschaften.uni-hannover.de</a>
<b>Halle-Wittenberg University</b>	Institute of Agricultural and Nutritional Sciences	<a href="http://www.landw.uni-halle.de">www.landw.uni-halle.de</a> (in German only!)
<b>Rostock University</b>	Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	<a href="http://www.uni-rostock.de/nc/en/faculties/faculty-of-agricultural-and-environmental-sciences/">www.uni-rostock.de/nc/en/faculties/faculty-of-agricultural-and-environmental-sciences/</a>



### PhD and postdoc research at non university research institutes (selection)

Helmholtz Center for Environmental Research	<a href="http://www.ufz.de">www.ufz.de</a>
Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research	<a href="http://www.ipk-gatersleben.de/en/">www.ipk-gatersleben.de/en/</a>
Friedrich Loeffler Institut Federal Research Institute for Animal Health	<a href="http://www.fli.bund.de">www.fli.bund.de</a>
Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Engineering	<a href="http://www.atb-potsdam.de">www.atb-potsdam.de</a>
Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research	<a href="http://www.pik-potsdam.de">www.pik-potsdam.de</a>
International Max Planck Research School "Understanding Complex Plant Traits using Computational and Evolutionary Approaches"	<a href="http://www.mpipz.mpg.de/49993/IMPRS_Cologne">www.mpipz.mpg.de/49993/IMPRS_Cologne</a>
Max Planck Institute of Moleculare Plant Physiology	<a href="http://www.mpimp-golm.mpg.de/2168/en">www.mpimp-golm.mpg.de/2168/en</a>
Leibniz Institute for Farm Animal Biology	<a href="http://www.fbn-dummerstorf.de">www.fbn-dummerstorf.de</a>
Leibniz Institute of Vegetable and Ornamental Crops	<a href="http://www.igzev.de">www.igzev.de</a>
Julius Kühn Institute for Cultivated Plants	<a href="http://www.jki.bund.de/en/">www.jki.bund.de/en/</a>
Max Rubner Institute for Nutrition and Food	<a href="http://www.mri.bund.de/en/de/home.html">www.mri.bund.de/en/de/home.html</a>

### Find more institutes and research organisations

[www.research-in-germany.de](http://www.research-in-germany.de)

[www.research-explorer.de](http://www.research-explorer.de)

[www.mpg.de/de/imprs](http://www.mpg.de/de/imprs)

### Funding opportunities for PhD students

DAAD Research Grant (see: [www.funding-guide.de](http://www.funding-guide.de))

HEC scholarships

Scholarships offered by Pakistani universities

Scholarships offered by German research organisations

### Funding opportunities for postdocs and experienced researchers

Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (see: [www.avh.de](http://www.avh.de))



DAAD-Leibniz-Fellowships (see: [www.daad.de/leibniz](http://www.daad.de/leibniz))

Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions ( see <http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/> )

### **Some suggestions for a successful application to a professor or a graduate school in Germany**

PhD candidates are expected to act as young research fellows and not as students. Thus, make sure you are well read in your field and you are well informed about the research background of the institute and the people you contact.

Keep in mind that professors are looking for a fellow who fits into their research team and who can contribute to ongoing or future projects. Thus speak about your research background and your research interests and how exactly they match the research foci of the institute/professor you are contacting.

Email correspondence should resemble formal letters and come with a formal address (“Dear Professor Hausmann”). Always address your correspondence partner by his/her name. Keep in mind that in Germany people never use first names when addressing an unknown person. In professional and academic life many people keep addressing each other by their surnames even after many years of cooperation. So use first names only if the senior person asks you to do so. (Fellow PhD students, however, will always address each other by their first names!)

Correspondence should always be focused on the research field and on one specific correspondence partner. It is strictly advised against using general phrases (“respected professor” / “your esteemed university”) in order send the same letter to a number of persons.

### **On research proposal writing**

A research proposal is an academic text and has to be in line with the formal requirements on academic writing. It is thus essential that the proposal is in line with the rules of academic integrity, which in the first line means: Plagiarism will never be pardoned.

There is a lot of guidance on the internet about plagiarism and how to avoid it. See for example:

[www.plagiarism.org](http://www.plagiarism.org)

[www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/plagiarism/students/referencing/conventions.html](http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/plagiarism/students/referencing/conventions.html)

<https://integrity.mit.edu>

### **Further guidance**

If you have further questions after reading all the provided information, please do not hesitate to contact the DAAD Information Center in Islamabad.

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