

# **„In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme“ Strengthening Advisory Capacities for Land Governance in Africa (SLGA)**

## **Call for Scholarship Applications 2020 at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology – Department of Geomatic Engineering**

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**Application Closing Date at DAAD (for pre-selected candidates only):  
February 29th 2020**



## Programme Objectives

As part of the “In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme” DAAD in close collaboration with the GIZ assisted programme “Strengthening Advisory Capacities for Land Governance in Africa (SLGA)” is able to offer scholarships for postgraduate studies within the Network of Excellence for Land Governance in Africa (NELGA)". The programme is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) within the framework of the special initiative “One World – No Hunger”.

NELGA is a partnership of leading African universities and research institutions with proven leadership in education, training and research on land governance. Currently NELGA has more than 50 partner institutions across Africa. Its overall objective is to promote good land governance by strengthening human and institutional capacities for the implementation of sustainable and development-oriented land policy in Africa.

The target group for scholarships are graduates from Africa with a first academic degree who want to pursue a Master’s or PhD course in their home country (so called In-Country scholarships) or in another African country (In-Region scholarships).

It has been agreed upon that DAAD cooperates with KNUST by offering up to 6 scholarships for Master and PhD studies at KNUST for the intake 2020.

## Application requirements

### Applicants

- have successfully completed generally a three-year university degree (Master candidates) or a two-year university degree (doctoral candidates) with above average results (upper fourth of class)
- clearly show motivation and strong commitment
- have thorough knowledge of the language of instruction
- have completed their last university degree not more than 6 years ago at the time of application
- must be nationals or permanent resident of an African country
- should generally be a) staff member of a public university, b) candidate considered for teaching or research staff recruitment, c) from the public sector

*Female applicants and candidates from less privileged regions or groups are especially encouraged to participate in the programme.*

Scholarships are initially granted for one year and can be extended to a maximum of the regular period of study upon receipt of an application for extension. Scholars must demonstrate satisfactory progress before an extension is granted.

## Eligible fields

The In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme supports studies in subject areas with strong relevance to land governance.

The scholarships at KNUST are available in the following fields:

- *Master in Geomatic Engineering*
- *PhD in Geomatic Engineering*

## Place of tenure

Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Kumasi, Ghana

## Duration and Commencement

The duration

- of the Master programme is generally two years,
- of the PhD programme is generally three years,

generally **starting in September**.

Please note that the maximum duration of the scholarship is based on the time that is left until the scholarship holder has reached the regular period of studies in that programme; i.e., if you apply for a DAAD scholarship starting in your second year of studies of a three-year programme, the maximum duration of the scholarship will be two years.

## Application and Selection Procedure

**The application process contains two steps. Please be aware of the two application deadlines.**

### First step:

Applicants must apply for their studies at KNUST using the contacts and the method that is prescribed by the institution. KNUST has set its own deadlines.

KNUST will screen, pre-select (according to DAAD selection criteria) and shortlist the applicants. A detailed report consisting of the shortlisting procedure, the entire list of applicants, the ranked shortlist and the shortlisting panel members will also be available to DAAD. The ranked shortlist will contain preferably triple (at least double) the number of scholarships that have been attributed to the institution.

DAAD reserves the right of final selection.

### Second step:

KNUST will provide the shortlisted candidates with the link to the DAAD-Portal. Only the pre-selected candidates are asked to log into the DAAD portal, register themselves and submit an DAAD application. **DAAD Deadline: February 29th 2020.**

Documents to be submitted (in either English, French or German):

- DAAD application form duly filled in (available in the DAAD-Portal)
- Hand signed curriculum vitae (please use the European specimen form at <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu>), including a list of publications (if applicable).
- Recommendation letter by university teachers (Master 1, PhD 2)
- Letter of admission for the host university / institution / network
- Certified copies of university degree certificates including transcripts
- Letter of motivation
- Copy of the passport

PhD candidates must submit the following additional documents:

- Declaration of acceptance from the academic supervisor
- Detailed and precise PhD proposal, including detailed work and time table
- Abstract of the proposal on one page (please include name and title of proposal)

Scholarship funding

The scholarship covers:

Item	Payment	Amount
<b>Tuition fees</b>	annually	<i>the regularly charged amount</i>
<b>Study and research allowance</b>	annually	460 EUR (Master) 920 EUR (PhD)
<b>Printing allowance</b>	once at the end	400 EUR (Master) 800 EUR (PhD)
<b>Monthly Scholarship (Accommodation, Food etc.)</b>	monthly	Master In-Country: 300 EUR Master In-Region: 450 EUR PhD In-Country: 500 EUR PhD In-Region: 550 EUR
<b>Travel allowance (In-Region only)</b>	twice (beginning/end of scholarship)	The flat rate travel allowance will be specified in the letter of award
<b>Insurance (In-Region only)</b>	upon request	Standard tariff; if applicable an equivalent of up to 69 EUR per month, refund upon request and presentation of an original receipt of payment

The scholarship will either be disbursed by the host institution or will be paid directly to the scholarship holder’s banking account. Further details will be announced after admission to the scholarship programme.

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