



# Family Scholarship of the University of Siegen

## Invitation to tender

The attempt to combine studies and family often leads to considerable stress for many students. With the preparation of the final thesis, a special workload also arises. The University of Siegen's Family Scholarship therefore aims to support students studying for a Bachelor's or Master's degree with family responsibilities in financially difficult situations in order to obtain their degree.

## I. Who can submit applications?

Students of the University of Siegen with family responsibility in the final semester of their studies who are included in financially difficult situations are eligible to apply. Family responsibility is understood to mean the care of minor children in one's own household, as well as the primary responsibility of caring for close relatives.

#### What is considered eligibility?

Eligible students at the University of Siegen who:

- 1. Are caring for and looking after one or more minor child(ren) in their own household or are caring for and looking after a first or second degree relative in need of care (if the main responsible care can be demonstrated in a plausible and comprehensible way),
- 2. are in the final semester of their study program and are writing their thesis, and
- 3. are therefore in financially difficult situations.

In addition, criteria such as previous subject performances and the prospect of a successful graduation can also be used.

# How much is the funding?

When providing care and support for a minor child/children, the monthly funding amount is based on the number of minor children:

Students with one child:	€ 380,00
Students with two children:	€ 430,00
Students with three children and more:	€ 480,00
In case of care and support of a relative in need of care:	€ 430,00

#### IV For how long and in what form is the funding paid?

The funding is awarded for one semester (6 months). In narrowly defined cases, a follow-up application is possible (see guidelines). The funding may not exceed two semesters. Payments are made monthly.

### V. What deadlines must be complied with?

- For the summer semester by 01.03.
- For the winter semester by 01.09.

### What must the application for funding contain?

To apply, the following documents must be submitted as a summarized electronic document (PDF) or in hard copy by mail:

- 1. Short cover letter
- 2. Completed application form
- 3. Evidence of thesis registration and all required examinations passed.
- 4. Evidence of parenthood (e.g. birth certificate) or evidence of responsibility for care (degree of care and plausible and comprehensible explanation that care will be provided as the primary responsibility) or evidence of pregnancy and expected date of delivery.

Applications should be submitted to Family Service Office:

By email: familienservice.gleichstellung@uni-siegen.de

By mail: Family Service Office of the University of Siegen Adolf-Reichwein-Str. 2 D-57068 Siegen, Germany

## VII. Who decides?

The awards committee meets twice a year. The decision of the award committee is made after reviewing all applications. Information on the committee's decision will be sent to applicants by email, if possible within 4 weeks after the application deadline.

#### Members:

Management of Parent and Family Services, Equal Opportunities Officer, 2 members of the AStA (at least 1 of them from the Social Department), as well as 2 members from the Senate Commission for Studies and Teaching.

# VIII. Notes

- Support can only be granted within the scope of the available funds.
- A legal claim to support does not exist.
- Furthermore, the associated guidelines for the awarding of subsidies within the framework of the family scholarship of the University of Siegen must be complied with.