

Call | Dissertation Completion Fellowship 2017|18

Criteria

- Regular students (“ordentliche Studierende”) of all doctoral studies of the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna or of the University of Art and Design Linz can apply for the fellowship.
- The applicants should convincingly convey that the successful finalization of the dissertation or the PhD-project is possible during the fellowship.
- The expected quality of the dissertation or the PhD-Project is a central criterion in the selection process.

Amount and Duration

Overall, **seven fellowships for six months each** can be awarded. The amount of the fellowship is **EUR 1.000,-- per month**.

Requirements & Conditions

- The fellowship can only be awarded once per person during the whole doctoral study period.
- Applications can be submitted either in German or in English.
- The fellowships have to be started within six months after the applicants have been informed about the award of the fellowship.
- Funding from third parties (stipends, grants, etc.) has to be announced immediately.
- The net income or the amount of other sources of funding (e.g. grants, fellowships etc.) must not exceed EUR 841,-- per month on average during the fellowship. This amount represents the highest stipend according to the Studies Grant Act.
- No later than two months after the fellowship has ended, a final report (1-2 pages max.) has to be submitted per email.
- Should the requirements and conditions of the fellowship not be met by the recipients of the fellowship (for example, by exceeding the allowed maximum income, through missing documents etc.), the fellowship has to be repaid.

Application Documents

1. Completed application form
2. Current “Studienblatt” (certification of enrollment)
3. Signed dissertation / PhD project agreement (for all curricula 2013, for Dr. techn. signed supervision agreement)
4. CV, including a list of publications or a list of artwork and an art portfolio, respectively
5. Abstract of the dissertation or the PhD-project (1 page max.)
6. Exposé of the dissertation or the PhD-project (10 pages max.)

7. Detailed work plan and time plan for the completion of the dissertation or the PhD-project, including the planned date of completion.
It has to be convincingly conveyed that the dissertation or the PhD-project can be completed during the fellowship.
8. (Preliminary) table of contents of the dissertation or project outline of the arts-based PhD-project
9. Existing parts of the dissertation or the PhD-project, like e.g. completed chapters, a video project, the documentation of a performance, etc.

10. Furthermore, a letter of recommendation of the supervisor is necessary, which particularly addresses the following aspects: scientific/artistic qualification of the applicant, expected quality of the dissertation or the PhD-project, as well as an assessment whether the completion of the PhD is feasible within the indicated time frame.
The signed letters of recommendation have to be sent as scans by the supervisors directly to doktoratszentrum@akbild.ac.at via email.

Deadline: November 19th, 2017

Incomplete and not timely delivered submissions cannot be considered for funding.

The **documents numbered 1-9** have to be sent as one PDF-document per email to doktoratszentrum@akbild.ac.at.

As the submissions are usually very extensive, we kindly ask you – for reasons of clarity – to properly name the files (e.g. “abstract”, “exposé” etc.) and to merge the documents subsequently into one PDF in the same order as indicated above.

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Selection Procedure

A panel of experts will review all applications and select the projects which are to be funded. The meeting will probably take place beginning of December 2017.

The fellowships will be awarded competitively on the basis of the submitted documents and within the financial limits of the funding scheme.

The applicants enjoy no legal right for funding.

The applicants will be informed by email about the results of the selection procedure after the meeting of the panel of experts.