

Visiting fellowships for young scholars

The Academy of Sociology supports young researchers in their academic careers and offers funding for research stays. The visiting scholarships are designed to foster research exchanges with other scholars both abroad and in Germany or the respective country of scholarly affiliation. With this fellowship program, we address young researchers who are committed members of the AS – with already existing research contacts and affiliations to German analytical-empirical sociology. Individuals who join the AS just when applying for the fellowship must demonstrate credibly that they intend to become a committed member who contributes to the AS well beyond the duration of the planned visiting fellowship.

The grants cover travel and accommodation costs with up to 2,000 EUR, considering the duration of stay.

We are now accepting applications for research visits taking place in 2027. There will be two application deadlines for 2027:

Please send your application by either **October 25th 2026** or **April 30th 2027** to fellowships@akademie-soziologie.de.

Decisions on grants will be made by the Board of the Academy of Sociology. Applicants will be notified within four weeks after the application deadline.

Please submit the following documents (in English or German)

- A cover letter featuring the reasons for the visit
- A short and informative CV (and publication list, if applicable)
- An abstract of the research project that will be pursued during the stay (no more than two pages)
- A cost calculation
- Information on co-funding by other sources, if applicable
- An acceptance letter of the host or the host institution

Who is eligible?

- Graduate students who are associate members of the Academy of Sociology
- Post-doc researchers who are regular members of the Academy of Sociology
- The funding covers travel and accommodation costs. It cannot be used to cover other expenses (such as meals, local transportation, and insurance).
- Funding will be provided once valid receipts have been submitted, usually after the visit. In exceptional cases, a reasonable advance on costs can be paid.
- The funding cannot be used for visits to PhD supervisors.
- It also cannot be used to fund conference-related costs.