

# Training assistance in accordance with the Federal Training Assistance Act (BAföG) for training abroad

According to the BAföG, training abroad can generally be funded if it is related to studies or school attendance in Germany. The Studierendenwerk in Bremen is responsible for processing applications from all over Germany for training in America - with the exception of the USA and Canada.

## Competent Department

- [Amt für Ausbildungsförderung](#)

## Basic information

The aim of training support under the Federal Act on Individual Support for Training (Bundesausbildungsförderungsgesetz - BAföG) is to give young people the opportunity to complete a school or university education that matches their abilities and interests, regardless of their social and economic situation.

Funding should be applied for in good time, at least six months before the start of training abroad.

## Requirements

Whether a course of study, school attendance or internship in South and Central America is eligible for BAföG funding can only be determined by the Studierendenwerk Bremen due to the different requirements within the types of training.

In addition, entitlement to educational support depends on personal requirements such as age, aptitude and nationality.

If the training abroad is carried out in connection with attending a higher technical college, academy or university in Germany, half of the funding amount is generally granted as an interest-free loan. In certain cases, however, funding is granted as a full loan.

## Procedure

A written application must be submitted on the official forms.

Electronic application

With a personally authenticated DE e-mail address, a BAföG application can also be submitted online. A further written application is then no longer necessary. To the online application: BAföG Digital ([bafoeg-digital.de](https://bafoeg-digital.de))

## **Legal bases**

- [Bundesausbildungsförderungsgesetz](#)

## **More information**

The amount of educational support depends on the student's income and assets as well as the income of their spouse and parents.

Further comprehensive information on BAföG, in particular on the eligibility requirements, the forms to be completed as part of the application and the responsible offices for educational support can be found on the websites of the Studierendenwerk Bremen and the Federal Ministry of Education and Research.

## **What deadlines must be paid attention to?**

An entitlement to a training grant exists from the month in which a written application is submitted and the training commences.

## **How long does it take to process**

depending on inspection efforts

## **What are the costs?**

none