



## **Prof. Sorin Huss Fund for students with children as financial support of child care costs**

### **Frequently asked questions about the application process**

The fund aims at enabling students and doctoral candidates of TU Darmstadt to have their children cared for at no costs for up to twelve months, in order to be able to focus on their study program or doctorate without additional burdens.

#### **Who should receive support through the fund?**

- (1) Students of TU Darmstadt who have expenses for child care for their child or their children that are not covered by other state subsidies.<sup>i</sup>
- (2) Doctoral candidates of TU Darmstadt with admission to doctorate who have expenses for child care for their child or their children that are not covered by other state subsidies.

#### **Who will be granted priority?**

- Single parent students
- international students
- students with more than one child
- students in their final study phase
- Doctoral candidates in their final phase

#### **Which are the requirements for applicants?**

You must be enrolled as a student at TU Darmstadt or accepted as a doctoral candidate by the doctoral examination board of the respective department.

The child/ children are cared for by a child minder (Tageseltern) or attend a child care facility or school supervision whereby child care costs arise.

The applicants have already applied for and been granted financial support for child care costs (full support/ reduction) at the local youth welfare office (Jugendamt) whereby the financial needs are assessed.



Before applying for the fund, applicants shall visit the social counselling at Sozialberatung of Studierendenwerk and/ or a student advisory office of TU Darmstadt in order to exploit further possibilities of financial support.

### **What does the fund support?**

Only contributions to child care are supported, regardless of the carrier or the child minding facility. The financial support will be paid out to the child care facility, not to the applicant. Also, support for school children (lunch money, school supervision or holiday camps) can be granted. The fund does not support baby-first equipment or other equipment.

### **What is the maximum amount granted through the fund and what is the maximum time period the grant will be paid for?**

The contribution to child care costs will be paid for a maximum of 12 months and shall not exceed 1.800 €. In exceptional cases it can be granted for additional months but shall not exceed the total sum of 1.800 €.

### **Will I have to pay back the grant?**

No, you generally do not have to pay back the grant.

### **When can I apply for the fund?**

You can apply at the start of each summer term (1 March) and winter term (1 October).

### **Can I apply more than once?**

Yes, you can reapply if your application has been rejected or if you have received the funding in a meanwhile completed study program. Even if you have received funding through Huss Fund before, a follow-up application is possible.

### **How do I apply? What is the selection procedure?**

Before applying for the fund, applicants shall visit the social counselling at Sozialberatung of Studierendenwerk and/ or a student advisory office of TU Darmstadt in order to exploit further possibilities of financial support.

You also need to apply for financial support for child care costs (full support/ reduction) at the local youth welfare office (Jugendamt). You have applied for „Übernahme von Kosten in Kindertagesstätten und Betreuenden Grundschulen“ at the local youth welfare office (Jugendamt). Fill in the application form and send it back to



Servicestelle Familie, TU Darmstadt, Hochschulstraße 1, 64289 Darmstadt, together with all required documents.

A committee, comprising members of Dezernat II, Dezernat VI (Ingenium), Studierendenwerk and Servicestelle Familie, will assess all applications and create a priority list.

### **Who will decide on the applications?**

A jury comprising the founder of the fund, the vice president for academic affairs, the head of administration and the managing director of Studierendenwerk decides upon each grant.

### **What happens to my documents and data after my application?**

In case of funding the name and address of the applicant will be stored for five years. Applications submitted electronically will be deleted after the decision.

In case of rejection, application documents will be sent back or deleted.

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### **Other state support is:**

#### **Kinderbetreuungszuschlag des BAföG**

BAföG Berechtigte erhalten einen Kinderbetreuungszuschlag von 113,- € für das erste Kind (§ 14b Absatz 1 BAföG) und 85,- € für jedes weitere Kind. Nach der geplanten Bafög-Reform, die im Herbst 2016 in Kraft treten könnte, soll es künftig einen einheitlichen Satz von 130,- € pro Kind geben.

#### **Kinderbetreuungszuschlag des DAAD Stipendiums**

#### **Leistungen nach dem achten Sozialgesetzbuch - „Hilfe zur Erziehung“**

Für Eltern mit geringem Einkommen besteht die Möglichkeit, bei der Stadt eine Kostenübernahme für das Elternentgelt in Kindertageseinrichtungen zu beantragen. Die Kosten können ganz oder anteilig übernommen werden. Ein eventueller Eigenanteil ist von den Eltern an die Kindertageseinrichtung zu bezahlen.

**Sowohl die evangelische und katholische Studierendengemeinde, wie auch Pro Familia finanzieren Anteile der Erstlingsausstattung, wenn junge Familien ein geringes Einkommen haben.**