How to apply for a PhD-scholarship: Do's and Don'ts

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The DAAD scholarship selection is competitive, but it is also a fair and rigorous process.

Therefore, the only thing you need to consider is to give your best effort and be prepared!

The committee members will go through your application form and other documents thoroughly:

1. Put information (activities) <u>related to your research</u> as complete as possible, in an arranged fashion.

2. Check the document carefully before you send, to avoid the flaws and typos.

3. If you already started your research work in Germany, it is better to <u>explain why you don't get financial support from your German supervisor</u>?

Before writing your proposal, think about two things:

1. Why German government offer scholarships to foreign students?

2. Why DAAD should give the scholarship to me?

It's not just about YOU. It's also about what you plan to do:

1. Try to make your research proposal "readable" and "interesting".

2. Don't write something you don't really understand.

3. Give a practical description to convenience the committee that you can finish your research project within reasonable time.

Language is the first thing:

Your English should be fluent enough, understand German is a plus.

Attitude is the second thing:

Show your enthusiasm to let the committee know you really love your research and really want to go to Germany.

Explain your research is the third thing:

Explain everything in a clear and logic way to let the committee know you do have the knowledge and ability to do the research.

Answer the questions is the last thing:

Listen carefully and answer carefully.

Thank you for your attention, and I would be happy to answer your questions after the seminar!