

## Fact sheet: Study Start-Up Aid "StudiumThüringenPlus"

Applications must be submitted prior to the start of studies by the deadline of

- 15 March of each year for the upcoming summer semester and
- 15 September of each year for the upcoming winter semester.

The following documents must be attached to the application, which must be submitted in full to the Studierendenwerk Thüringen (attachments included in the application):

- Copy of ID card or residence permit (front and reverse side)
- Copy of the letter of admission from the Thuringian university (can be submitted later)
- Reliable self-disclosure ([Annex 1](#)) on income and financial situation
- (only for international students who are not entitled to BAföG)
- Repayment agreement ([Annex 2](#)) and SEPA direct debit authorization ([Annex 3](#)) to be used when unauthorized use of funds is discovered or when proof of use is missing or inappropriate.

The "StudiumThüringenPlus" start-up aid program only supports necessary expenses and material expenses related to the start of the degree program, such as semester fees without a semester ticket, PC hardware and software, study materials, academic literature, language courses or introductory events before the start of the degree program. The use of the study start-up aid is subject to proof. The proof of the use of the initial student aid funds must be submitted by the first-year students to the Studierendenwerk Thüringen within three months (by 30 June for the SS application or 31 December for the WS application) together with a list of the uses of the funds ([Annex 4](#)). If the proof is not submitted in time, the start-up allowance must be repaid within five months.

If the applicant does not enrol in a degree program with classroom teaching at a Thuringian university after submitting the application, or if the application does not receive a positive decision, or if the reliable self-disclosure of income and financial situation is found to be incorrect and/or the necessity of financial aid is not determined, the start-up allowance must be repaid within five months.

There is no legal entitlement to the "StudiumThüringenPlus" study start-up allowance.

I confirm with my signature that I acknowledge the guidelines for the awarding of social benefits by the Studierendenwerk Thüringen and that I have provided truthful information in this application.

The financial aid is granted as a one-time payment amounting to 500 euros, which will be paid out by the Studierendenwerk Thüringen to the first-year student before the beginning of the semester.

When all requirements are met, payment is made by the Studierendenwerk Thüringen. Applicants will receive a written notification of the decision.