Scholarships for Gifted Jewish Students and Doctoral Candidates – A History with a Future

INFORMATION ON APPLICATION, ACCEPTANCE, AND ASSISTANCE

• ELES provides scholarships for Jewish undergraduate and graduate students who have above average achievements in school and university studies and are socially active in the Jewish community. We also offer scholarships for highly-qualified Jewish doctoral candidates.
• ELES carries out a multiple-stage application process which includes formal, subject-oriented, and personal components.
• While you are receiving your scholarship, we expect that you keep us informed about the progress of your studies and that you participate in our supporting educational program.

SUPPORTING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

• ELES organizes extracurricular seminars and conferences for the further educational and non-educational training of its scholarship holders.
• Within this context, ELES also holds interdisciplinary summer schools so that scholarship holders have the opportunity to engage in dialogue with their counterparts at other institutes of higher learning and reflect upon current events and topics of interest in the Jewish community and in society at large. Academics and other noted representatives of public Jewish participate in our summer schools and are glad to interact with our scholarship holders.
• Scholarship holders are expected to participate in our alumni network after they completed their studies.

GRANTS FOR STUDYING ABROAD

• The ELES wants scholarship holders to take time to study at an university in another country, and we offer financial assistance for such endeavours.
• We also support relevant internships and language courses.
• Tuition and other fees at international universities can also be financed through the ELES.

For further information, please refer to the ELES website at: www.eles-studienwerk.de
Born in Berlin, the philosopher of religion and historian Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich (1921–2007) had a moving life, which included his experience of persecution and the reconstruction of Jewish life in Europe in the 20th century.

In order to receive a scholarship, we expect above average achievements in school and studies as well as engagement in the Jewish community, in the social sphere, in student or youth organizations, and in society at large. With our ELES scholarships, we strive to close a historical gap and assist gifted young people in the Jewish community.

Noted Jewish personalities from academia and public life participate in our efforts to make our scholarship program as effective and enriching as possible.

In addition to financial assistance, our scholarship program strives to provide its scholarship holders with the opportunity to increase their sense of social responsibility and their abilities to successfully engage in dialogue. We aim to embolden our scholarship holders to shape the future with Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich’s intentions in mind.

In order to shape the future, our society must educate an elite ready to take on responsibility. This maxim applies to much more than subject-specific knowledge alone. Through its system of scholarship programs, the Federal Republic of Germany thus provides financial support to highly-motivated and qualified students and doctoral candidates who are active in society beyond their specific studies. These scholarships serve to enhance and reflect the plurality in our society.

The Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich Studienwerk (ELES – Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich Scholarship Fund) is one of thirteen scholarship programs for students and doctoral candidates supported by the German Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF). In accordance with the ministry’s guidelines, the ELES provides scholarships for gifted Jewish students and doctoral candidates who are German citizens, citizens of the European Union, or foreign students with a university-entrance certificate acquired in Germany. The scholarships are available for studies at a state or state-recognized institute of higher learning (universities, technical colleges, and art or music colleges) in Germany, the European Union, and Switzerland. The ELES places great importance in the social engagement and potential for self-development of our scholarship holders.

DISCOVERING INDIVIDUAL ABILITIES – DEVELOPING DIVERSITY.

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