



Thanks to ELES, I grew as a person and made my dreams reality. (Anna)



My time at ELES taught me to critically question my positions and closely reexamine my assumptions. (Hanna)



ACADEMIC AND PERSONAL SUPPORT

- ELES offers its scholarship holders a wide range of seminars and workshops on Jewish and socio-political topics.
- Academic and personal advisors accompany and support the scholarship holders during their time with ELES.
- The scholarship holders actively contribute to the development and shape of the academic and personal support programme.
- The scholarship recipients can become involved in and build their networks through various scholarship holder initiatives and working groups.
- Rabbis serving as study leaders provide the scholarship holders with pastoral care and guidance in religious questions.
- The ELES alumni*ae programme integrates former scholarship holders into the Studienwerk's programming while facilitating networking among ELES alumni*ae.

OTHER SUPPORT

- ELES expressly welcomes and financially subsidises scholarship holders during their stays at foreign academic institutions.
- Internships, medical residencies, and language courses relating to the course of study are also eligible for additional financial support.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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JEWISH SCHOLARSHIP – A HISTORY WITH A FUTURE.

Democracy requires people who take on responsibility. The Federal Republic of Germany therefore decided to take on the task of supporting highly motivated, qualified, and extraordinarily engaged students and doctoral candidates via the federal scholarship funds. ELES is the scholarship fund of the Jewish community and an essential site for Jewish self-reflection and development – a “laboratory of Jewish identities” (Max Czollek).

DISCOVERING INDIVIDUAL TALENTS – DEVELOPING DIVERSITY.

We, the Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich Studienwerk (ELES), are one of the thirteen scholarship funds supported by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). In line with the ministry's guidelines, we support especially gifted students and doctoral candidates studying at public and state certified private academic institutions in Germany, the European Union, and Switzerland. We support them in their academic development, building on the engagement and personal development of our scholarship holders.

We support Jews of all denominations and stand for diversity in Judaism and an open society. Since our founding in 2009, we have provided support to more than 1200 students and doctoral candidates, creating a space for them to realise their potential and take on new responsibilities.

We welcome and rely on initiative, team spirit, and above-average performance – be it in Jewish congregations, in the social sphere, in work with young people, in university groups, or in other future-oriented projects. Through our support, we strengthen talents within the Jewish community, thus making a valuable contribution to its thriving. We receive support from renowned personalities from academia and public life in this task.

In addition to financial support, we focus on solidifying the Jewish identities, sense of responsibility, and dialogue skills of our scholarship recipients. Taking inspiration from Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich, we motivate them to actively assume responsibility in shaping our shared future.

Interested? Then apply now and contribute your talents to ELES!



I am deeply grateful to ELES for its academic and financial support!
(Evgenij)

INFORMATION AT A GLANCE:

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

- ELES supports gifted Jewish students who demonstrate outstanding academic performance and involvement in society and/or the Jewish community.
- ELES supports highly qualified Jewish doctoral candidates, as well as those researching Jewish topics.
- ELES supports Jews of all denominations and secular Jews alike.
- ELES utilises a multi-stage selection process (formal, technical, personal).

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- In addition to the personal and academic support programme, ELES also financially supports its scholarship recipients.
- Scholarship holders with children can receive a childcare subsidy.
- The level of financial support provided to students is means-tested against parental income.
- The financial support provided to doctoral candidates is independent of parental income.



I was able to learn and grow in an environment of empowerment, mutual support, and cultural diversity. (Roman)



The biography of the Berlin scholar of religion and historian Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich (1921-2007) includes the experiences of persecution and the rebuilding of European Jewry in the 20th century.

