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(1) PHD – GERMANY DATABASE LAUNCHED

Would you like to do a PhD in Germany? German higher education and research institutions are constantly on the lookout for qualified international doctoral candidates. In the DAAD database, you will find PhD positions specifically for foreign applicants.

Once you have found a PhD offer matching your interests, you can directly apply via the DAAD Portal. This database is available here: www.phdgermany.de

(2) DAAD CHAT – MEDICAL EDUCATION IN GERMANY

During the academic year 2009/2010, around 120.000 students were studying Medicine at a German university, more than 12.000 of them were international students. Medical university places are very popular, therefore the admission procedure often presents new applicants with quite a challenge. What are the requirements for medical studies in Germany? Where and how do prospective students apply? How are medical studies structured? And are there any quotas for internationals?

Chat and discuss your questions in English or German with an expert, Dr. Martin Grauer (Internist at the University Medical Center Erlangen), Thursday 18th November 2010, 3-4 pm (GMT). If you wish to post a question or register for the chat, please do so [here...](#)

(3) GERMANY INTERNATIONAL GRADUATES CAN LATER WORK IN GERMANY

The today's unemployment rate is the lowest since the beginning of the nineties and the German industry urgently looks for highly qualified professionals. How to recruit them is under political discussion. However, the group of the international students who study in Germany, being a very important group of future professionals, is often not well enough considered as a solution to the search for highly qualified professionals. Since 2005 it is legal for international students to remain in Germany after graduation in order to take up a qualified employment. In 2009 there were 4820 university graduates who took their chance to stay in Germany after having graduated. This is nearly every third graduate from countries outside the EU. 2008 – before the financial crisis – there were even 5935 graduates who stayed in Germany.

(4) 3RD CALL FOR DRAFT PROPOSALS IN INFECTOLOGY

The Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, German Research Foundation) calls for proposals of joint research projects between scientists in Germany and Africa investigating infectious diseases and their social implications.

The scope of the call includes the investigation of neglected infectious diseases in humans and animals but also re-search on topics of their social and economical impact.

The DFG primarily wants to encourage researchers in human and veterinary medicine as well as in related humanities fields to request funding for the investigation of neglected diseases. Projects on AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis research, which are already heavily funded by international pro-grammes will only constitute a minor proportion of the funded projects.

The Principal Investigator submitting the proposal must be integrated into the German research system and is in charge of the project. Submissions by only African cooperation partners cannot be accepted for legal reasons.

Draft proposals will be evaluated by an international review panel. Given a favourable review the Principal Investigator will be invited to submit full proposal.

Deadline: Draft proposals must be sent digitally (e-mail with attachment) and only to the e-mail address below by 7 January 2011.

To ensure quick responses, queries should be submitted in writing to infectiology@dfg.de.

(5) JOINT EUROPEAN MASTER IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (JEMES)

JEMES (Joint European Master in Environmental Studies) is a two-year fulltime European Master programme for degree holders in Environmental studies and related areas. JEMES was developed as an exclusive high end programme that requires students to study in at least two of the participating universities. Graduate will be awarded a Joint Master Degree.

ERASMUS MUNDUS scholarships are available also for Ghanaian applicants of exceptional merit. The application deadline is the 31st December, 2010. Candidates who aim to join JEMES as self-funded students have to lodge their application by the 31st of May, 2011.

For general enquires please visit www.jemes.eu

**(6) FRESHMAN INSTITUTE AT UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES (UoASc), AACHEN, GERMANY
- FAST-TRACK TO ENGINEERING, MANAGEMENT AND LANGUAGE COURSES**

The Freshman Institute is an organisation within the UoASc Aachen. Since January 2010 the project has been approved by the Ministry of Higher Education of North Rhine-Westphalia. The Freshman year is the ideal entry year for a variety of Bachelors' programs.

It offers entrance-examinations every year, either in the applicant's home country or at UoASc Aachen. For admission to the English-speaking Freshman program one needs a Secondary school leaving certificate and basic knowledge of either English or German.

At this institute, students from all over the world study in small groups in a unique intercultural environment, expanding their intellectual horizons while preparing for a future as engineers, business managers or teachers in today's global community. Unlike the Studienkollegs, there is no German language proficiency required for participation in the program.

Upon successful completion of the Freshman in a year, the participants can apply to one of the Bachelor's degree programs in engineering, business, or German as a foreign language at UoASc Aachen or other universities.

For further information, please visit: www.fh-aachen.de/freshman.html
or email: freshman@fh-aachen.de

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