

Financial Aid Office

Doctoral scholarships

General

Scholarships are awarded to enrolled doctoral students at ETH experiencing precarious financial difficulties, who are not employed any more at ETH Zurich.

The doctoral scholarships are granted to a maximum of 3 months.

The mandatory semester fees must be paid.

You are not allowed to combine a doctoral scholarship with an assistantship or part-time job in or outside ETH.

Application process

Clarify beforehand with the supervisor any other source of financial aid.

The ETH scholarship is granted at the end of the doctoral studies when the completion of the thesis and PhD examination cannot be finished within the contract period but within the next three months.

Application

In letter form at any time. Include the following information

Education

Degree and subsequent employments
Supervisor's name/Institute at ETH,
Starting date of doctoral studies
Thesis topic
Detailed timeline for last three months of PhD until defense

Personal details

Date of birth/birthplace
Home town/home country
Marital status
Children (birth certificate)
Special circumstances (divorces etc)

Financial situation (attach receipts)

Own assets/savings
Part-time jobs
Scholarships/loans/open applications for financial support
Income partner (if living together)

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Receipts

Last tax return/invoice
Withholding tax payers: detailed bank statements of all personal bank accounts in Switzerland and abroad for the last six months
Decisions on any other means of financial support
Last ETH employment contract
Current (or last) salary statement

Condition

Attach a **sealed recommendation letter** written by your supervisor. This letter should specify your PhD timeline in the period of the scholarship with a detailed planning of the last three months. Additionally it should explain thoroughly why no further funding by the supervisor/professor is possible.

Payment

The scholarship is paid monthly to your swiss Post-Finance or bank account. The maximum amount is 2/3 of a first years PhD salary (at the moment 2613 CHF).

Reclaims are made under the following conditions:

Incorrect or incomplete information
Insufficient performance
Job entry or other financial resources not mentioned to the Financial Aid Office

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