

GATE – German Apprenticeship Training Exchange

**Grant program for student and faculty exchanges between
U.S. colleges and German vocational schools**



Our Grant Program

Since
2017

German Apprenticeship Training Exchange (GATE) is a grant program by the Joachim Herz Foundation (JHF). It supports transatlantic vocational exchanges between U.S. colleges and German vocational schools.

- ◆ It is open to U.S. Colleges and German vocational schools and can include an initial faculty delegation visit and students exchanges
- ◆ Faculty may accompany the students (ratio of 1:5)
- ◆ Exchange programs can include job shadowing, company tours, participation in college courses, and cultural activities





What we can do for you

- ◆ **Fund** your U.S.-German student exchange program
- ◆ Support you in **finding a possible German school** for cooperation
- ◆ Provide **advice** on how to establish a long-lasting cooperation
- ◆ **Connect** you with German and U.S. ...
 - ◆ vocational schools and colleges
 - ◆ companies interested in vocational exchange
 - ◆ chambers of commerce and workforce development agencies
 - ◆ professionals active in the field of international exchanges

Possible grant options

A: New school partnerships



Phase	Max. grant p.a.	Application
Delegation visit	5,000 EUR	anytime
Exchange I	20,000 EUR	until Apr., 30th or Nov, 30th of each year
Exchange II	20,000 EUR	
Follow-up	10,000 EUR*	

*max. 50% of total costs

B: Existing school partnerships



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Exchange	5,000 EUR*	anytime

- Covering remaining costs
- Reducing school's own financial contribution

What can be covered by the grant

- ◆ Return flights between USA and Germany
- ◆ Accommodation
- ◆ Meals
- ◆ Transportation (car rental, bus, train)
- ◆ Entry costs for exhibitions, museums etc.
- ◆ Visa fees



Grant program guidelines

- ◆ The application for GATE grants **must be submitted by the German vocational school**, which **will receive the funds**
- ◆ Depending on mutual agreements, grants can be used to cover the travel expenses for **both partner institutions**
- ◆ GATE grants **can be combined** with other U.S. or German funding (public/private)
- ◆ The GATE program encourages **long-term** and **impact-oriented** exchange projects

Possible roadmap for exchanges

- ◆ First application: **Delegation visit** (Faculty)
- ◆ Following three applications: **Visits with students and faculty** to the USA or Germany (Ratio of one teacher for 5 students). Possible activities include:
 - ◆ Participation in college courses, job shadowing at companies, online meetings prior to visits
 - ◆ Company visits, cultural tours and activities
 - ◆ Collaborative projects between U.S. students and German apprentices



Application timeline

Grant type	Deadline	Selection	Decision/payment*	Earliest Travel dates
Delegation Visit (structured funding)	anytime	3-4 weeks	4-6 weeks upon submission	min. 2 months after submission
Exchanges (1, 2 and follow up) (structured funding)	April 30th or Nov. 30th	May - July Dec - Feb	Aug/Sept Mar/Apr	From October on From May on
Add-on Funding (only for long-term, already existing exchanges)	anytime	3-4 weeks	4-6 weeks upon submission	min. 2 months after submission

*Please note that this is a rough estimate; mostly, the decision will be communicated earlier. However, in order to avoid any conflict with booking in advance, please use the indicated decision time frame for your planing.

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