

FAQs Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung Fellowships

I'm not sure if my background counts as marginalized. What shall I do?

Please read the eligibility criteria again carefully. You have to tell us how you fit--we cannot do that for you.

I have an MA or MS degree in a discipline which is not mentioned in the eligibility criteria for the PhD scholarship. Can I still apply?

Only students with a degree in one of the disciplines explicitly mentioned in the advertisement are eligible to apply.

At the time of application, I will not have received my BA certificate (for MA scholarship applications) or MA certificate (for PhD scholarship applications). Can I still apply?

MA scholarship:

If you have proof of at least 150 completed ECTS credits (or equivalent) in your BA program, you are allowed to submit your BA certificate later.

PhD scholarship:

If you have fulfilled all obligations of your MA or MS study program at the time of application, you are allowed to submit your MA or MS certificate later.

Which language certificates can I submit when I apply for the scholarship?

When applying for the scholarship, sufficient knowledge of English must be proven with standardized or accredited certificates at least at level B2 or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

In particular, the following serve as proof:

- a) "International English Language Testing System" (IELTS Academic): min. band 5.5;
- e) "Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based test" (TOEFL iBT): min. 81 points;
- f) "duolingo" English test equivalent to level B2 (100 points minimum)
- g) other proof according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), at least level B2.

Successful completion of the test must not date back further than three years prior to the application deadline.

After applying for the MA scholarship, do I also need to apply for the MA program?

Yes; please note that the scholarship selection process closes before the MA program application portal opens. Only candidates who meet the eligibility criteria for the MA program will be selected. Please note that for the admission to the MA programme, different language requirements apply and only certain tests (excluding duolingo) are accepted. For further information check the [programme website](#).