

INFORMATION FOR STUDENT/SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANT

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For social insurance reasons, we can only employ you as a student assistant, if you have enrolled with a university, higher technical college, or cooperative state university in Germany. In case you are no longer registered as a student, you shall be obliged to immediately inform per mail cn-hiwi@pse.kit.edu. If you fail to do so, you will be charged the possibly due social insurance costs.

Documents to be submitted together with the request:

The **request for employment** by the organizational unit to the Human Resources must be accompanied by your curriculum vitae, your valid enrollment certification (mandatory for student assistants; for scientific assistants, if enrolled), copy of graduation certificate (Bachelor/Master/Diploma/State Examination) or title holding certificate or preliminary certificate, in case of foreign degrees Transcript of Records with a detailed sheet about your study and exam achievements and, if necessary, translations of the degrees and Transcript of Records in German or English, this signed information, the completed questionnaire of prior employments according to Art. 2, par. 3, WissZeitVG, the health insurance certificate with the declaration regarding other employment and scholarships, and, if applicable, copies of employment contracts and current salary slips for other activities as well as the data sheet (form). In case of an **extension of employment**, the request of the organizational unit must be accompanied by completed questionnaire of further employments and enrollment. In addition, please be so kind as to submit a new enrollment certificate unrequested at the beginning of each semester if you are a student assistant or an enrolled scientific assistant. Otherwise, accounting of your salary will be suspended until submission of your current enrollment certificate. Later payments will only be made within a period of six months.

If you do not come from an EU member state, we additionally require copies of your passport, your residence permit, and your work permit, if any. In your work permit, students' part-time employment or employment in general must be permitted expressly.

Working times:

The maximum monthly working time is 85 hours (less than 19.75 hours/week).

The maximum daily working time is 8 hours.

The times worked according to the number of hours applied for will be controlled by your superior. A written working time account must be kept.

In accordance with the current provisions for part-time employees, we would like you to note that the employer is obliged to pay 15% pension insurance and 13% health insurance for a salary below the limits specified (at present, EUR 603.00). If these limits are exceeded by your salary or your working hours, you shall be obliged to pay the contributions on a pro rata basis.

As an **assistant without enrollment** in a Bachelor's or Master's degree, the contract must be **at least 43 hours** per month. The minimum scope must also be observed if you are enrolled as a doctoral student at KIT. In the case of a scholarship at the same time, a shorter amount of time can be agreed.

Salary:

The salary you are entitled to will be remitted to your account in Germany by the end of the month. Possibly due payments of pension insurance will be retained from your salary and remitted to the health insurance company responsible for you.

We would like you to know that under certain circumstances, you will cease to be insured under the family insurance with your health insurance company. In this case, you will have to effect an own insurance for the duration of your employment. If you have any questions, contact your health insurance company.

Workplace:

Your workplace is the premises of Karlsruhe Institute of Technology in Eggenstein-Leopoldshafen and Karlsruhe, in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Ulm, Berlin or Dresden (as requested).

Breaks:

A break of 30 minutes shall be taken in case of working times in excess of 6 hours (Working Time Act).

Leave:

Depending on the contractually agreed working hours per month, you shall be entitled to be granted hours of leave. According to the Federal Vacation Act, your entitlement is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Contractual working hours / month} * 20 \text{ days leave / year}}{85 \text{ hours / month}} * 3.95 \text{ hours / day} = X \text{ hours / year}$$

If your contract duration and/or the contractually agreed working hours/months will change, your entitlement to leave shall be recalculated. Depending on your employment duration, your entitlement per year will be divided by 12. In case of a contract duration of less than 12 months in the year of leave, your entitlement to leave exists only for full** months of the employment relationship and it will be reduced by 1/12 for every month in which you will not be paid any salary or not for all days. Decimal places exceeding 5 will be rounded up when calculating your entitlement to leave. Taking of the leave must be agreed upon with your supervisor at the organizational unit and deemed to be hours worked.

Furthermore, the leave must be taken in the current calendar year. Carryover to the next calendar year is only possible after consultation with the supervisor in the organisational unit, provided that urgent operational reasons or reasons relating to the person of the assistant justify this. Leave not taken by 31 March of the following year shall be forfeited.

**e.g. 15.09. to 14.10. not a full employment month, but 15.09. to 15.10.

Free Democratic Basic Order:

As a student/scientific assistant, you shall be obliged to admit by your conduct to the free democratic basic order in the sense of the German constitution.

In addition to working as a student assistant, a scholarship may only be awarded or paid by KIT if there is no connection in terms of location or content. This must be confirmed in writing (form). For other scholarships (e.g. DAAD) the add earnings limit based on the agreement must be checked prior to conclusion of the contract as assistant. Employment as an assistant shall be excluded when writing a Ph. D. thesis at the same institute, after the completion of the doctorate you cannot employed as a student/scientific assistant. If you are employed against payment by another company (e.g. also externally paid bachelor's / master's thesis within the framework of an employment relationship) parallel to your work at KIT, you may only work at KIT, if these simultaneous activities do not exceed an amount of 19.75 hours/week.

I took note of the above regulations:

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Date, signature