

The **Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School of Literary Studies (FSGS)** accepts dissertations of outstanding theoretical and conceptual quality that examine literature within a cultural-historical, transregional, transtemporal and/or intermedial framework.

For **2026**, the Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School of Literary Studies ([FSGS](#)) offers the following positions and grants:

- up to **10 [PhD positions](#)** at the FSGS for the duration of 3 to 4 years for candidates with/without external funding.
Up to **5** outstanding applicants without external funding will receive a **nine-month scholarship** of EUR 1103 starting in June 2026 and take part in a series of workshops to secure external funding.
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Please note that the FSGS is a structured doctoral program that can only be studied full-time. We strongly recommend that you obtain external funding for your doctoral studies and advise against self-financing through non-academic part-time employment. If you have sources of funding other than the usual institutional funding (scholarships or research assistant positions) and are not interested in obtaining external funding, please indicate this in the application process.

The application deadline is **16 November 2025** at 23:59 CET.

Further information and details about the **online application**:

<https://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/en/friedrichschlegel/foerderung>