

DR.-HERBERT-STOLZENBERG-AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE NATURAL SCIENCES

On initiative of the Dr.-Herbert-Stolzenberg Foundation and the Executive Board of Justus Liebig University, the GGN will grant three awards for supporting early career researchers in the natural sciences. The awards are endowed with € 1,000 each. They serve to honor young scientists at an early stage of their scientific careers who distinguish themselves through outstanding achievements in their field and exceptionally commitment to their discipline.

WHAT ARE THE EVALUATION CRITERIA?

The awards will be granted based on the following criteria:

- An outstanding PhD project (ongoing or completed) which is expected to make or has already made a significant contribution to the respective scientific field. This may be a widely acclaimed publication, the development of an innovative process or method, the solution of one of the Millenium Prize Problems ;) etc.
- A notably commitment and a high level of quality in teaching. This may be expressed by the use of digital technologies in a way that promotes learning, by a successful combination of research and teaching, or by the implementation of innovative concepts constructively applied to challenging teaching situations.
- An exemplary action and voluntary work for, and/or, with society beyond one's own qualification work for science and the visibility of the discipline, for example in the field of science communication, reciprocal transfer or citizen science.

The project does not have to meet all evaluation criteria. The detailed description of the project should address all evaluation criteria that the project fulfills particularly well.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Applications are open to all doctoral students of the JLU who are members of the GGN and are pursuing a doctoral degree in the natural sciences (Dr. rer. nat.) or have been awarded this title by JLU Giessen in 2021 at the earliest (-> [Become a member](#)).

WHAT DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED?

- Short cover letter (1-2 pages)
- Short CV
- Two letters of recommendation (each 1 page), at least one from a researcher with scientific expertise
- Detailed report of the project or the commitment to be awarded the grant (3 pages)
- Supporting verification, if applicable/possible (publication, press article, ...)
- Proof of status as a doctoral student or of completion of the doctorate after 31.12.2020

WHO DECIDES ON THE APPLICATIONS?

All applications will be processed by the GGN managing office. The decision on the award is made by a commission. The commission represents the range of the natural sciences at Justus Liebig University and consists of four PhD supervisors (with deputies) and two postdocs.

DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION

Applications received by April 14, 2023 will be considered. All documents must be submitted in a single PDF document to mail@ggn.uni-giessen.de.

Applications can be submitted in German or English.