

Call for proposal for young scientists (Call No. 1)

Research funds for the German Sport University (GSU)

Aim of the grant

Call No. 1 is part of the research funding schemes of the German Sport University Cologne (GSU) and supports especially **young scientists**. Therefore, the German Sports University Cologne promotes innovative research ideas with relevance for basic research and/ or applied sciences in the field of sport sciences. Unique modules of a bottom-up research project as well as small projects as part of the final thesis (master or PhD) are possible.

Financial modalities

Proposals with a **funding up to 2.500 € for a master student and up to 5.000 € for a PhD student** will be accepted. Students, **not** employed at the GSU, can apply for 50% of the funding as a research grant (SHK/WHF/WHK, 5 to maximal 9 hours/week). The grant can be spent on financing of personnel costs, equipment and travel expenses. Projects will be approved for a **period of twelve months** (at most until the end of the study or PhD). An award will be made if the university budget allows its implementation and if the university has enough resources in the award year.

Application process

Master **students and PhDs** of the German Sport University are eligible to apply. A joint application with other students / PhDs is possible. Each person can only hand in one proposal. The application form must be used to submit the proposal.

Please note the current and long-term effects of the corona pandemic in your project and time planning, also with regard to flexible adaptation.

Proposals can be written in German or English. **Please note: If the formal requirements of the application form (page numbers, etc.) are not met, the application will not be accepted.** Complete application documents should be handed in electronically (via e-mail, max. 5 MB) as one pdf document to the Department of Research and Young Academics (forschung-dshs@dshs-koeln.de). Please state in the email subject line the call number (Call 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) for which you apply (e.g. Call 1 for this funding line).

For questions please contact Dr. Alexandra Pizzera (a.pizzera@dshs-koeln.de, Tel.: -7580).

Review process and approval

Scientific reviewers are involved in the review process. Core reviewing criteria are:

- Individual-related aspects (e.g. previous research achievements)
- Relevance of the topic
- Quality and feasibility of the work programme
- Appropriateness of methods and models
- Consideration of gender and diversity dimensions in the application

Approvals are estimated to be given in January 2022.

**Final report**

Results of the project should be handed in as a final report, a publication (submitted or published high-ranking expert contribution) or a conference contribution to the Department of Research and Young Academics six months after ending of the funding period. In addition, selected results of PhD projects should be submitted to the universities newspaper KURIER or science magazine IMPULSE and should be added to the research information system (FIS).

Deadline is October 3rd, 2021.