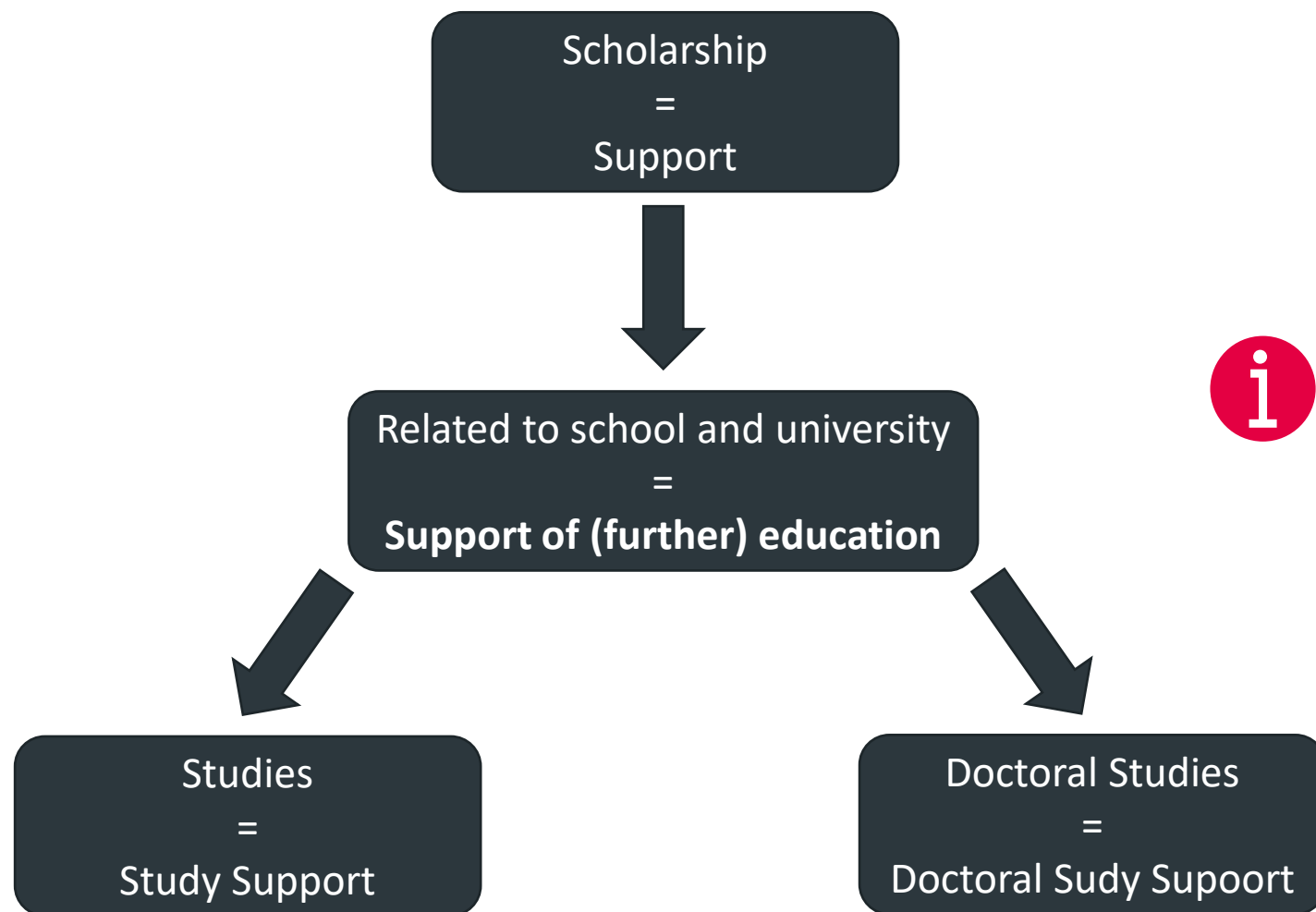




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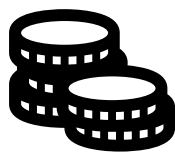
# What is a Scholarship?



In contrast to BAföG, which is also a form of educational support, a scholarship does not have to be paid back and is therefore not a financial burden after your graduation!

# What is a Scholarship

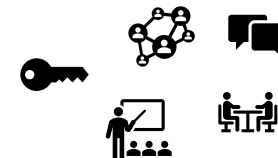
## Forms of Support



**Financial Support**  
(mostly regular, but also one-off)

- ✓ Financing your living expenses and
- ✓ Financing stays abroad & language trips

**Goal:**  
Creating space for your studies and your  
commitment to social engagement



**Non-material Support**

- ✓ Seminars, workshops & lectures on the acquisition of key qualifications
- ✓ Mentoring
- ✓ Exkursions and Summer Schools

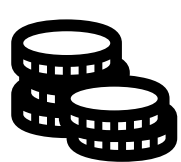
**Goals:**  
General education, career orientation, personal  
development, creating opportunities for  
networking

# What is a Scholarship?

## Forms of Support



You often receive both after a scholarship approval. However, it is also possible to receive only non-material support. As you can see: With a scholarship, you are not necessarily taking anything away from financially needier students. There are also special scholarships, such as the social scholarship from the Studienstiftung OWL, which is aimed exclusively at students in financial need. However, it is generally not possible to do without the non-material support, as the funding organizations attach importance to you accepting at least some of the offers and getting involved. However, it is also not advisable to do without it, as the offers of non-material support will help you in many ways!



Financial  
Support



Non-  
material  
Support

# Prerequisites

You have a good chance of receiving a scholarship if you ...

- ✓ have and achieve good school/study results
- ✓ have a wide range of interests and are motivated to think "outside the box" of your own subject area
- ✓ get involved in and for society
- ✓ have goals for your future
- ✓ need financial support to get a good degree

Academic  
Achievement  
+  
Engagement  
+  
Matching

# Prerequisites

*"But I probably need very good grades", are you (still) thinking?*

Very good grades certainly don't worsen your chances, but an application with good grades is definitely worthwhile!

Also important:

It is not just your grades that are taken into consideration, but also your subject, because: The grades with which you are among the top performers also depend to a large extent on the subject you are studying.

Academic  
Achievement

+

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Matching

# Prerequisites

But what counts as engagement? More than you might think!

## School & University

class/student representative,  
work in a project, competition  
participation, activity in student  
councils/the AStA, ...

## Society

Collaboration in/at: associations,  
municipal projects & facilities,  
youth work, the (youth) fire  
department, ...

## Politics

Involvement in university  
politics, in democratic political  
parties, organization of political  
events, ...

## Church/Religion

Involvement in church youth  
work, at church congresses, ...

## Sports

Training youth teams, working  
as a referee, ...

## Arts & Culture

Organizing/being part of  
exhibitions, participation in  
theater projects, ...

## Family

Looking after your  
own children, siblings,  
caring for relatives, the  
need to support the  
family financially...

Academic  
Achievement

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# Prerequisites

Whether your application for a scholarship has a chance of success also depends on how well your application matches the profile of the foundation/funding organization that you want to support you:

You and the Förderwerk should be a good match!

You can only find out whether and how well you fit in with a funding organization by taking a close look at the values and goals that guide the various foundations and funding organizations. You should do this when pre-selecting suitable scholarships and thus prepare your application, as you should be able to justify why you are a good fit for a particular foundation/funding organization.

Academic  
Achievement  
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Engagement  
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Matching



# What funding organizations are there?

One starting point could be, for example, the scholarships of the Begabtenförderwerke, which are funded by the federal government.

However, there are also other scholarship programs funded by the federal government, such as the **Deutschlandstipendium** or the **Aufstiegsstipendium** for vocationally qualified people from the **Stiftung für berufliche Bildung**.

In addition to these funding organizations, there are many other larger and smaller funding organizations that may be suitable for you!

There are more than 2,000 scholarship providers in Germany alone.

# Search for and find the right funding organization



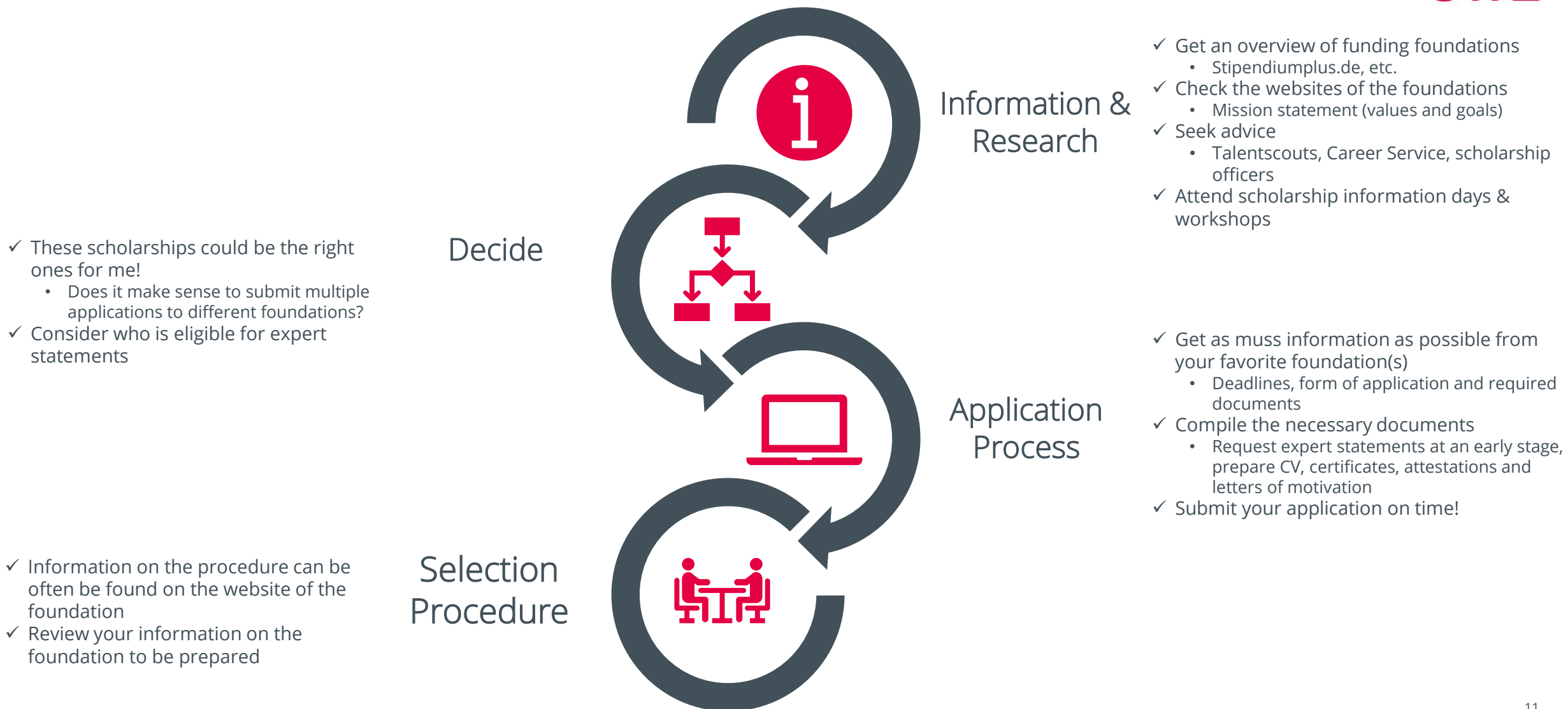
Smaller and less well-known foundations in particular often have difficulties attracting applicants. It can therefore be extremely worthwhile to search outside of the better-known funding organizations.

As is so often the case, success in finding the right scholarship for you also depends on how clever and creative you are in your search. Also check whether there are any company funding programs that could be suitable for you.

A good starting point for your search is the [Stipendiendatenbank von e-fellows](#), the websites of [arbeiterkind.de](#), [Stipendium Plus](#), but also the scholarship information day at the TH OWL!

**Research is worthwhile, even if it takes time!**

# Search, find and apply



# Support at TH OWL

If you are stuck with your own research strategy or need support with your application, you can contact the [Career Service der TH OWL](#).

You can get support with all questions about scholarships for studies and stays abroad, scholarships for international and refugee students at the [International Office](#).

In addition, there are [Stipendienbeauftragte in the departments](#), that you can contact for support.

If you are still at school, you can seek advice from our [Talentscouts](#).

# Starting points for your research & advice



Scholarship information pages  
of TH OWL

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