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The German Documentation Center for Art History – Bildarchiv Foto Marburg (DDK) (<https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/fotomarburg>) will award, for the first time, an annual fellowship for doctoral candidates (m/f/d) in the field of photography (the Dr. Rolf H. Krauss Fellowship for Photography Research), effective January 1, 2027.

Your Profile

- You are a doctoral candidate at a German or foreign university.
- You have proficiency in German or English at least at the C1 level.
- Your doctoral work is at an advanced stage; results are already available or foreseeable, and the fellowship will contribute to the completion of your dissertation.
- Your doctoral project is expected to make an important and outstanding contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the field of photography research.

We offer

- The scholarship consists of a base amount of 1,300 EUR per month, a living allowance of 103 EUR per month, and, if applicable, a child allowance. Overseas allowances and purchasing power parity are not paid.
- The scholarship term is 12 months and ends no later than three months after the end of the month in which the final oral examination takes place, or at the end of the month in which the doctoral program is terminated for other reasons (e.g., if the doctoral program is discontinued).
- A workspace close to the Dr. Rolf H. Krauss Research Library will be provided to you in the DDK research building. You will have access to all resources of the Marburg University Library.
- You will have the opportunity to engage in academic exchange within the DDK team and to participate in scholarly events such as lecture series and research colloquia, including presenting your own work.

Application Materials (to be submitted in German or English)

- An informal application for the “Dr. Rolf H. Krauss Scholarship for Photography Research” at the DDK, including a detailed statement of motivation.
- Description of the dissertation project, including a work plan and timeline with the expected completion date (max. 6 pages), as well as a writing sample from the dissertation project (max. 20 to 40 pages).
- Curriculum vitae in table format, including a list of publications if applicable.
- A statement from the dissertation’s primary advisor, as well as an additional letter of recommendation from the academic community.
- Proof of completion of undergraduate studies (diploma) including transcripts. In the case of a doctoral program with a qualifying examination, confirmation from the dean’s office must be submitted stating that the academic requirements have been largely fulfilled or that no further academic requirements need to be met.
- Certificate of acceptance as a doctoral candidate at a German or foreign university.
- A statement from the applicant confirming that, starting from the beginning of the fellowship, they will not receive any other fellowship from public or private sources for the same purpose, nor will they receive income from employment (including self-employment) or transitional benefits. If any of these cases apply, a statement is required; in the case of income from employment or the receipt of transitional benefits, additional proof must also be provided.

Contact us for more information

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Please send your application materials – in electronic form (PDF) only – to the DDK office (annette.merte@uni-marburg.de) by October 31, 2026.



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