



Programme Information

Wardwell Fellowships

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (AvH) grants up to ten fellowships annually to young, highly-gifted Spanish musicians and musicologists for further training or advanced studies (not for undergraduate studies), primarily in Germany.

The fellowships are financed from a bequest by Hezekiah C. Wardwell, an American citizen who died in 1964.

During the fellowship period fellows are supervised by recognized music teachers at colleges of music or conservatories or by specialist scholars at universities. The Humboldt Foundation expects candidates to establish contact with supervisors **prior to submitting applications** and to obtain binding clarification on whether they can be accepted as students and be given academic supervision.

Fellowship Specifications

The grant is EUR 800 per month. In addition, the Humboldt Foundation pays a single lump-sum of EUR 250 on arrival as well as a single lump-sum for travel expenses to fellows traveling directly from Spain. Initially, application can be made for a fellowship lasting 2 academic semesters (10 months). Applications can be filed for a **single** extension of one or two further academic semesters. Generally, fellowship extensions will be granted only if an academic degree is completed during the period of extension applied for. If a Wardwell Fellowship has been granted for 10 months, fellows may spend periods up to 5 months during the sponsorship to carry out advanced studies in another European country (except for Spain), if this is essential for carrying out their studies.

Application requirements

The fellowship is aimed at candidates from Spain in transition to their professional career. Therefore, the fellowship period applied for cannot start later than 3 years after the end of the graduation as musician or musicologist. Preference will be given to candidates who have previously had no opportunity to continue their studies in music in Germany. Candidates, who have already spent more than a year studying in Germany, can not apply for a Wardwell Fellowship.

Applicants should have a good knowledge of German.

Application procedure:

Applications may be sent to the following address at any time:

**Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung
Auswahlteilung
Jean-Paul-Str. 12, 53173 Bonn, Deutschland**

Application deadline: **January, 10** each respective year.

Please be sure to only use valid application documents, which can be downloaded at the [program's website](#).

The Selection Committee preselects qualified candidates for an audition. Applicants will be notified in mid-April if they have successfully advanced to this round of competition. The audition and the final selection takes place once a year, usually in May or June.

In case of a positive decision, the Wardwell-Fellowship can only be awarded if the candidate has successfully passed the entrance examination to a German "Musikhochschule", Conservatory or University.

Reviewing the applications takes three to five months. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that he or she has submitted all the necessary documents. Applications not submitted as a single entity will take longer to process. Grossly incomplete applications will be returned to applicants unprocessed.