



## Who are we?

Fritz von Einem Joosten established Scholarships for Australian-German Student Exchange (SAGSE) in 1967 after emigrating to Australia and becoming a successful businessman.



Fritz had experienced the horror of war first-hand, and was seriously injured on the Russian Front during World War II.

It was his founding belief that violence and conflict could be avoided if young people from different countries could meet and learn from one another.

SAGSE awards scholarships for Year 11 and 12 students to travel to Germany in late November and return early February. The exchange programs aims to give students an insight into a foreign culture and establish friendships between the two countries.

Since its inception in 1967, SAGSE has provided scholarships to more than 1500 students.



# SAGSE

Scholarships for  
Australian-German  
Student Exchange

# Scholarship Information

## 2024 / 2025

**Goodwill in Action - Since 1967**

- ✓ 10 weeks in Germany, Nov - Feb
- ✓ Live with a host family and attend a German school
- ✓ Make lifelong friends and improve your German
- ✓ 1 week free travel + 3-day Berlin camp

**Applications for 2024 open late May  
and close in early July**



[sagse.org.au](https://sagse.org.au)



## Who can apply?

Year 11 & 12 students who are studying VCE level German (Or IB, VSL, or equivalent) at the time of their application, or have previously completed their German studies.

## How to apply?

1. Register on the SAGSE website [sagse.org.au/login](https://sagse.org.au/login)
2. Login to your new account
3. Complete the required student information using the online application form



## FAQ

### How long is the exchange?

Scholarship winners will spend 10 weeks in Germany. The trip occurs late November to early February each year. Scholarship winners are accompanied by a group leader, who is also a former scholarship winner.

### What will I get out of the Scholarship?

Experience a European winter, attend school with your host sibling, make lifelong friendships, experience free travel and enjoy a 3-day camp in Berlin!

On their return to Australia, winners become a part of the German Australian Student's Society (GASS). Affectionately known as GASSies, these alumni give back to the SAGSE community by running events, offering support to new students, and carrying on the legacy of Fritz von Einem Joosten.

### What is Free Travel?

The SAGSE scholarship is a unique program which includes 7 days of independent travel for scholarship winners. Students are encouraged to plan their own itinerary in which they may travel to any cities within Germany. There are some terms and conditions, but this is an opportunity to grow your independence, make your own travel plans, and explore Germany with other scholarship recipients.





### What is the selection process?

There are two stages: a written application, followed by an interview.

### Do I also have to host a German student?

No. It is not a requirement to host either before or after the exchange in order to be a scholarship winner. However, students who host have the advantage of being guaranteed an interview if they apply for the scholarship.

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