

Start-up funding B – 'minor' project start-up:

To support junior researchers, Ulm University allocates funds from the University Allowance acquired through the Excellence Strategy of the German federal and state governments. Start-up funding is granted for materials and equipment, assistant staff and/or test person remuneration for independent research projects in order to help junior researchers develop and sharpen their research profile, prepare external third-party funding applications and gain academic independence.

The purpose of this measure is to empower qualified junior researchers to advance their academic career. Eligible are research projects that explore a new subject area and serve to prepare for the next qualification level. For doctoral candidates this measure explicitly helps them to prepare for the time after their successful doctorate and supports them in the transition between the doctorate and the post-doc phase.

The maximum funding amount is **EUR 10,000** per application. The funding period is 12 months.

Eligibility: This funding is available to doctoral students from the third year of their doctorate onwards **and** to junior researchers after completing their doctorate (postdocs up until they submit their habilitation, junior professors can apply within the first year of their post) who are employed at Ulm University (not the Medical Faculty or Medical Centre).

Please take note of the funding directive and the assessment criteria.

Dates:

Calls for applications	Application deadlines	Start of funding
15 March	1 May	1 July
15 July	1 September	1 November
15 November	1 January	1 March

This table is meant to serve as a rough orientation to help you with your personal long-term schedule. Please allow for minor changes at short notice.

Further information as well as the application form and the funding directive can be found (in German and English) on the ProTrainU homepage ([here](#)).

Please send your application electronically as **one PDF** (completed application including attachments) by email to protrainu@uni-ulm.de **and** additionally as a **printout of the complete application** (incl. attachments) by in-house mail to the Graduate and Professional Training Centre (see below for contact details).

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