REGULATIONS FOR GRANTING

Christine Mohrmann Stipend

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Radboud University

Preamble

Since 1990, the Executive Board of Radboud University has awarded Christine Mohrmann Stipends (until 2015: Frye Stipends) to ten female PhD candidates. Previously, the stipend had to be used for a stay at a foreign scientific institution and from 2020 onwards, expanded spending criteria will apply: the stipends can be used for various purposes that enable deepening the PhD research.

Article 1 - Purpose

With the Christine Mohrmann Stipends, the Executive Board aims to encourage the most promising female PhD candidates who are following a PhD program at Radboud University to continue their scientific career after completing their dissertation.[1]

Article 2 - Form

1. The amount of a stipend is a one-off amount of € 6,000.
2. The laureate of a stipend shall receive a certificate signed by the Rector Magnificus.
3. The ten stipends are awarded annually.
4. The number of stipends to be awarded per faculty shall be in accordance with the size of the faculties:

- the seven faculties are awarded one stipend each (FFTR; FNWI; FSW; FdM; FdR; FdL; FdMW);
- the remaining three stipends are awarded to the faculties with the most female PhD candidates on the reference date 1 January of the year in which the award ceremony takes place;
- nominations from the Donders Institute for Brain, Cognition and Behaviour and the Radboud Teachers Academy are submitted via one of the affiliated faculties.

Article 3 – Conditions

1. The following persons shall be eligible for the award of a stipend:
    - all female PhD candidates who are following a PhD programme at Radboud University[2].

The following cohorts are eligible:

- For a four-year PhD programme, PhD candidates who are in their third year.
- For a five-year PhD programme, PhD candidates who are in their third or fourth year (they may be nominated once).
- For a six-year PhD programme, PhD candidates who are in their fourth or fifth year (they can be nominated once).
- Female PhD candidates with an extended PhD period of up to 8 years who are in their sixth year.
- The reference date is 31 December.

[1] 'Feminine' in this context encompasses the multiple identities of gender expression.

[2] The university has four types of PhD candidates.

1: employee-PhD candidates/ PhD employee: employee who has an employment contract and an appointment aimed at a PhD trajectory with Radboud university or Radboudumc.

2: PhD-candidate with a scholarship ('beurspromovendus'): person who does not have an employment contract with the university where the PhD is completed, but whose main objective is to obtain a PhD and receives funds for this from a scholarship provider.

3: externally funded PhD candidates: person financed in one way or another for the PhD programme or may be promoted in 'the time of the boss' (i.e., another employer).

4: external PhD candidate ('buitenpromovendus'): person who does not receive time or money from a third party for the purpose of a PhD trajectory, but who does have the objective of obtaining a PhD.

2. A stipend can be used for:
- a foreign trip and stay at a scientific institution where research can be carried out that is in line with the PhD research;
- deepening in the PhD research.

A stipend cannot be used for:
- the purchase of equipment or infrastructure,
- the appointment of a student assistant;
- an extension of the contract.

Article 4 – Nomination and decision-making

1. The Rector Magnificus annually invites the deans of the faculties to submit nominations for the stipends to be awarded in that academic year.
2. Decision-making about the nomination(s) takes place in the faculties.
3. The nominations shall include:
    a. CV;
    b. description of the PhD research;
    c. description of the intended spending target;
    d. description of the most important (scientific) publications, lectures and activities in the field of education and impact;
    e. Start date of doctoral programme;
4. An overview of the nominations is submitted to the College of Deans for notification.
5. The Executive Board decides on the allocation of the stipends.
6. The award of the stipends is announced by the deans. The awarded candidates receive their certificates from the rector at a small ceremony. This ceremony is organised annually around the date of International Women's Day (8 March).
7. and their promoters are invited. The meeting is organized annually around the date of International Women's Day (March 8).

Article 5 - Award

1. After the stipends have been awarded, the funds are earmarked to the faculties.
2. The dean is responsible for the handling of the awarded stipends.
3. Redemption of an awarded stipend may take place no later than three months after the promotion date, subject to a maximum period of two years from the date of award.
4. The dean determines the method of payment.

Article 6 – Final provision

The Christine Mohrmann Stipend Award Regulations were adopted by the Executive Board on 25 November 2025. This replaces the revised version of the Christine Mohrmann Stipend dating from 10 October 2023.