

New regulations for the awarding of financial grants for seminar and final papers from quality improvement funds valid from winter semester 2017/18

The Quality Improvement Commission (QVM Commission) of the Department of Economics has decided on a new regulation for the allocation of financial support for final theses and seminars from quality improvement funds. The agreed rules replace the decision of 10.11.2009, which came into force on 01.12.2009, adapted in February 2014.

1. grants from quality improvement funds will be awarded for seminar papers (B.Sc. VWL: module "Academic Writing" and M.Sc. Economics: "Research Module") and for final theses (Bachelor's and Master's thesis). Grants for final theses will be given priority over grants for seminar papers.
2. major students of the Bachelor's program in Economics, the Bachelor's program in Law & Economics and the Master's program in Economics are eligible to apply.
3. grants are limited to a maximum of 5000 € per year (calendar year). The funds are awarded four times a year. A sum of 1,250 € is available per award date. Amounts not spent can be carried over to the next funding date, but not from one calendar year to the next. Partial funding of projects is possible. The grant is limited to 800 € per application. A maximum of 80% of the actually proven costs will be subsidised.
4. the application consists of two partial applications: a) a grant application and b) an application for reimbursement of costs. Applications for funding are submitted by the student to the supervisor of the seminar or final paper. The application must describe the content of the seminar or final paper and explain why the work cannot be carried out without a grant and/or the quality of the work can be significantly improved by the grant. It must also provide an estimate of the costs. The supervisor will evaluate the applications on a scale of 1 (highest eligibility for funding) to 5 (not eligible for funding). If a supervisor has several applications that are to be evaluated on the same scale, the supervisor must indicate a prioritisation of the applications. Funding applications can be forwarded by supervisors to the Study Management of Economics and Business Administration (studienmanagement.wiwi@uni-bonn.de) by e-mail on the following four deadlines per year: 01.02. / 02.05. / 15.07. and 02.11.

Application Forms can be found on the following website:

<https://www.vwlpamt.uni-bonn.de/studienmanagerin/foerderung-von-abschlussarbeiten/formulare>