TUM: Junge Akademie
Passion for science
About us

TUM: Junge Akademie is the scholarship program for exceptionally talented and dedicated students of all faculties from four different universities in Munich: TUM, ADBK, HFF and HMTM. Within the scope of an active network the academy provides the necessary space and support for its members to grow and thereby prepares them to take on a responsible position in modern society.

**ACT** Develop creative solutions on the edge of science and society as part of an interdisciplinary team in a socially relevant, 20-month project.

**LEARN** Improve your project management and soft skills at exclusive workshops with professional coaches. Get a glimpse into the world of scientific research.

**CONNECT** Join a network of 80 active students, over 500 alumni, mentors, researchers and professors, from 4 different universities. Benefit from advice and criticism given by experts in their fields.

**IMPACT** Choose one of the eight taskforces and contribute to the future of the whole program.

**COMMIT** Schedule sufficient time to successfully participate in the program (on average 5-8 hours per week).

“It is a self-developmental experience to be in an interdisciplinary project of TUM: Junge Akademie. Working with teammates from different perspectives is like wearing a pair of glasses that has helped me to see and understand issues better, renovate my mindset, and look for more inclusive solutions.”

Maryam Tatari, Tutor Class 2021, MCTS Munich Center for Technology in Society
Projects

As an inspiration, here’s an overview of our projects that will finish their scholarship this year: (2019-2021)

AppCycle
App to encourage up- and recycling

Clarify
VR Technology for senior citizens

Exfluenced
Detox program for social media usage

Exhibition Fish
Art exhibition about the data privacy paradox

Lacktivity
Increase physical activity at the work place

TUMwelt
App for increasing eco-friendly behaviour
Active Membership

- **Year 1**: Future Lab I, Kick-Off (3 days), Application, Nomination, Selection Days, Symposium Planning Weekend, Information Event, First Evaluation, Second Evaluation, Third Evaluation, Final Symposium
- **Year 2**: Future Lab I, Total running time 20 months, Commitment in task force (3 semesters)

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Application

Your application for admission to TUM: Junge Akademie should consist of the following parts:
- a letter of motivation (one to two pages)
- a perception (essay) regarding that year’s call (max. two pages)
- a curriculum vitae
- a transcript of records (official document)
- for unsolicited applications: a letter of recommendation from a professor

The next application deadline is August 31, 2021.

The admission will take place after the selection days in October. Detailed information on this year’s call “Learning from Nature” as well as all dates and deadlines can be found online at www.ja.tum.de/en/ways-to-join

We are looking forward to getting to know you personally. In case of any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us via jungeakademie@zv.tum.de

Visit us online at www.ja.tum.de

“Our society needs young performers who are able to proactively shape change processes, analyze and balance target conflicts and deal with complexity. For the acquisition of the required competences TUM: Junge Akademie offers an excellent basis.”

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Gerhard Müller, Chair of Structural Mechanics, Senior Vice President of TUM, Director of TUM: Junge Akademie
“The interdisciplinary project teams in which we work challenge us in areas that are rarely or never used in scientific work. Especially for us scholarship holders from partner universities the program is a great benefit! It is just so much fun to work with people who see the world with different eyes than we theatre, music, film people do.”

Joshua Neumann, Class 2020, University of Music & Performing Arts, Culture and Music Management

“My first scholarship months in the TUM: Junge Akademie showed me that one can learn valuable lessons outside the classical lecture halls. Besides working in a group composed by students from different courses and nationalities, we also have the freedom to conduct our own research and develop an innovative project from the beginning! This is a unique opportunity that brings with it lessons I will most certainly carry with me in the future.”

Catherine Yngaunis Koch, Class 2021, TUM Department of Chemistry, Chemical Engineering

“The work inside my interdisciplinary team provides a unique opportunity to develop and implement an inspiring project outside my own field of study. Connecting with highly motivated people, mastering challenges together and discovering new approaches is what makes the TUM: Junge Akademie such a remarkable network for me.”

David Noachtar, Class 2020, TUM Department of Physics