

Ursula Ida LAPP Doctoral Scholarship at Heilbronn University for female doctoral candidates

Since 2025, LAPP has been offering the Ursula Ida Lapp Doctoral Scholarship in cooperation with Heilbronn University of Applied Sciences, specifically for female doctoral candidates in STEM fields. The selection of scholarship recipients is carried out in close collaboration between HHN and LAPP. In addition to financial support, recipients benefit from non-material offerings, including membership in the exclusive women@LAPP network and participation in inspiring workshops and events.

About Ursula Ida Lapp

Ursula Ida Lapp (1930–2021) was a pioneering entrepreneur and co-founder of the globally successful family business LAPP, which develops innovative cable and connectivity solutions. Following the early death of her husband, she took over the leadership of the company together with her sons and grew it into a global market leader — always guided by family values, sustainability, and a particular focus on equal opportunity. The scholarship bearing her name continues this commitment by supporting women on their path to a doctorate. It honours her legacy as a trailblazer and role model, and encourages recipients to pursue their dreams and goals with the same passion and determination that defined Ursula Ida Lapp.

Scholarship Details

Funding Amount

- €1,800 per month for a duration of 3 years
- plus €200 per month for health, accident, and personal liability insurance
- plus €150 per month as a child allowance, with an additional €50 per month for each further child
- plus additional allowances for material, travel, printing, and publication costs

Funding Duration

- The funding period is a maximum of 3 years.

Application

Eligibility Criteria

- Female
- Maximum 40 years of age
- Master's degree in a STEM field
- At least a good academic average
- Supervision commitment and recommendation from a professor at HHN
- Social engagement and/or commitment to environmental and climate protection
- Particular challenges, e.g. lived experience of displacement or migration, care responsibilities (e.g. caring for family members), financial or social disadvantage, long-term health condition or disability
- Place of residence and bank account in Germany (required for the transfer of scholarship funds)

Application Documents

- Curriculum vitae (tabular format)
- Letter of motivation (max. one A4 page)
- Exposé with a timeline (max. three A4 pages)
- Supervision commitment and recommendation from a professor at HHN
- Academic transcripts and certificates

Application Deadline

Please send your complete application materials by the deadline of 31 October 2026 to Kristina Epple (kristina.epple@hs-heilbronn.de).

Application Process

- If you are shortlisted, you will be invited to a personal interview with representatives from LAPP and HHN.
- You will likely be notified of an invitation to an interview in early November 2025.
- The interviews themselves will then take place in mid-November 2026, as scheduled. Please make a note of this timeframe in advance.

We wish you every success!