Awards of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities

Medals and Prizes awarded by the Academy:

Honorary Membership
A person whose life’s achievement has made a special contribution to science or its application may be honoured by election as an Honorary Member.

Helmholtz Medal
With the Helmholtz Medal, the Academy honours outstanding scientific achievements in the fields of humanities, social sciences, mathematics and natural sciences, biology, medicine and engineering sciences. The medal may be awarded biennially.

Leibniz Medal
The Leibniz Medal is a recognition of services in the promotion of science and a recognition of scientific achievements by individuals or groups outside their own profession. It can be awarded to individuals or to groups of people. The medal may be awarded annually.

Academy Prize of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities
The prize is awarded for outstanding scientific achievements in any disciplinary field. The award includes prize money of 50,000 Euros and may be awarded biennially. The prize is supported by the Collegium pro Academia – Society of Friends of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities.

The Academy awards the following prizes for outstanding scientific achievements of young researchers:

Prize of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities – donated by the Commerzbank Foundation –
The award includes prize money of 30,000 Euros and is awarded biennially for outstanding scientific achievements in the area of research in legal and economic principles.

Prize of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities – donated by the Monika Kutzner Foundation for the Advancement of Cancer Research –
The award includes prize money of 10,000 Euros and is awarded annually for outstanding scientific achievements in the area of cancer research. The prizewinners should be able to be regarded as young, relative to their achievements.
Engineering Science Prize
of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities

The prize is awarded for outstanding achievements in the engineering sciences by young engineers and scientists in research or industry. It was awarded for the first time in 2010 and includes prize money of 10,000 Euros, endowed by the firm BIOTRONIK.

Walter de Gruyter Prize
of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities

The award includes prize money of 10,000 Euros and may be awarded biennially for outstanding achievements in a subject area covered by the publishing house Walter de Gruyter, preferably the humanities. The prizewinners should be able to be regarded as young, relative to their achievements. The prize money is provided by the Walter de Gruyter Foundation.

The prize replaces the Prize of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities awarded until 2006 and donated by the publishing house Walter de Gruyter. It has been awarded for the first time in 2009.

Prize of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities
– donated by the Peregrinus Foundation (Rudolf Meimberg) –

The award includes prize money of 8,000 Euros and may be awarded biennially for outstanding achievements by scholars from the countries of Eastern and Southeastern Europe. The prizewinners should be able to be regarded as young, relative to their achievements.