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You have completed your studies with an academic degree?
You are now aspiring to continue your academic career and want to take your doctorate at the University of Wuppertal?

The Center for Graduate Studies (CGS) provides information, advice and support for doctoral students, both actual and prospective, from all faculties.

Visit www.zgs.uni-wuppertal.de/en for comprehensive information on doctoral studies at the University of Wuppertal, including:

- admission requirements and doctoral degree regulations (all faculties)
- enrollment formalities
- scholarships and funding
- announcements of vacancies, upcoming conferences and calls for papers
- advertisements for relevant prizes, competitions etc.

The center's services focus on four areas: advice, projects, training and internationalization.

- The CGS advisory service provides concrete information and guidance with questions of finance, sources of scholarships etc., as well as with personal problems like writer's block.
- The CGS course program supports junior researchers at all stages of their PhD with specially designed workshops (ranging from how to write an exposé to how to defend your thesis).
- Various doctoral study groups enable and encourage interdisciplinary exchange of ideas and networking between doctoral students.
- The CGS offers organizational and financial support in planning and completing research projects, method workshops, conferences and other activities initiated by postgraduates. CGS also provides financial support for lecture tours and travel to conferences in Germany and abroad.
- The CGS also offers career guidance and career entry preparation, and facilitates the acquisition of key career qualifications parallel to doctoral studies.
- The University of Wuppertal's eight faculties can profit from CGS support with the conceptualization of structured doctoral programs (e.g. graduate schools supported by the German Research Foundation) or with the integration of international doctoral and postdoctoral researchers (STIBET program of the DAAD).



SPECIAL OFFERS FOR INTERNATIONAL PHD STUDENTS AND POSTDOCS

International PhD students and postdocs can profit from a wide range of academic, social and leisure facilities funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) within the framework of its STIBET program, including

- *peer-to-peer coaching* by other PhD students
- a "Welcome Night" at the beginning of each semester
- workshops on academic writing, project and time management, and preparation for the doctoral examination
- excursions and leisure activities
- culture and sports activities
- support program for doctoral and postdoctoral researchers with child(ren)
- short-term grants and other funding (e.g. teaching and research assistantships)