An Up-GRADE, please!

GRADE-Goethe Research Academy for Early Career Researchers

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GRADE - Goethe Research Academy for Early Career Researchers

Short Introduction

GRADE is the central graduate academy of Goethe University, founded in 2009 with the aim of improving the education, supervision, and the research conditions for PhD candidates and Postdocs.

Open to all PhD candidates and Postdocs of all 16 faculties of GU

Mission:
- promoting the early autonomy of PhD candidates and Postdocs
- promoting an inter- and transdisciplinary way of thinking
- promoting the development of sustainable solutions for global problems
- supporting PhD candidates and Postdocs in their choice of career options
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Target Group - Students

Information and advice on:

Doing a PhD or not?
Finding a supervisor
Funding

E-Learning Tool:

‘Studying and then earning a doctorate?‘
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Target Group – Doctoral Candidates and Postdocs

Workshop Programm (~ 150 p.a.) in the fields of

- Academic Tools
- Self-Organization and Management Tools
- Career Tools
- Language Tools
- ‘Get Prepared for the Future‘ Series
- Inter-/ Transdisciplinary Tools and Intercultural Awareness
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Target Group – Doctoral Candidates and Postdocs

E-Learning Tool
‘Good Academic Practice During Doctoral Studies’

Career Planning
Get on the Right Track: Career Talks presenting individual careers or companies and non-profit organizations as potential employers
Workshops on application training, staying abroad, grant application etc.
Individual Coaching (tackle challenges of research work and everyday life w/ help of certified coach)
Language Service (proof-reading of 20 manuscript pages in English by native speaker)
Postdoc Peer Groups
Supervision: Ethics in Research
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Internationalization
All information material in English and German
Information Desk /Open Office Hours
Social Events
Cotutelle support
Language classes German and English
Special workshops e.g. ‘Introduction to German Culture and Customs‘

PhD and Postdoc Working Groups / “Initiatives“
Self-organized groups exploring research field of their choice
Funding available for staging workshops and inviting guest scholars
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Financial Support

Information on funding opportunities at Open Office Hours, on GRADE website, or in brochure
Short-term funding I: Completion scholarship for international PhD candidates
Short-term funding II: Research assistantships for international PhD candidates
Partial funding (conference travel etc.) through GRADE Center budgets
PhD scholarships in German Studies
Focus program for Postdocs: Support for writing an independent grant proposal
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Target Group - Supervisors

Proposal coaching for Research Training Group applications to DFG

Information on third-party funding opportunities

Institutionalization of research networks at GRADE

Provision of supervision tools

Workshops:
‘Good Doctoral Supervision‘ / Supervisors Training

GRADE Award for ‘Best Doctoral Supervision‘ at GU
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Association and Participation

- voluntary
- no membership or workshop fees
- sufficient language skills in German or English
- registration form, workshop registration online
- no curriculum, but recommendations
- certificate / confirmation of participation
More Information at

http://www.grade.uni-frankfurt.de

http://www.facebook.com/GoetheResearchAcademy

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THANK YOU

…and have an enjoyable day!

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