

#### **EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

We organise events for socialising and networking, such as our monthly Roundtable for international doctoral candidates. This event is ideal if you are new to the university and have not made any contacts yet. You can meet other students both from your own and different disciplines for a chat in a relaxing atmosphere. Ideal for relaxing after a long day at the desk or in the lab! Additionally, we organise trips to the theatre, museums and local sports events. To find out more about this, please email us or see us at our office. Ideas for new activities are always welcome!

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SUPPORT SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL DOCTORAL CANDIDATES



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### **OUR SUPPORT SERVICES**

The team of the Support Services for International Doctoral Candidates will be happy to assist you during all phases of your doctoral studies: from the first steps, such as finding a supervisor, up to your thesis defence. We can be reached by email, phone and in person for a confidential consultation. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

#### WE PROVIDE INFORMATION ON:

- finding a supervisor for your PhD project and approaching possible supervisors
- getting enrolled as a doctoral student
- submitting applications at the faculties' doctorate committees and examination offices as well as graduate centres
- semester contributions and rematriculation
- other administrative issues

# OUR COUNSELLING INCLUDES ADVICE ON:

- visa and residence permits
- scholarships and other types of funding
- health insurance
- finding and changing accommodation
- language courses
- living and working in Germany
- social and individual issues

Our student mentors will also accompany you to appointments with the Immigration Office and on similar occasions, such as meetings with prospective flat mates and property owners.

## **WORKSHOPS & LECTURES**

We organise workshops and lectures to help you further develop your competences and successfully complete your doctoral degree. Our workshops cover numerous topics:

- applying for scholarships and other possibilities of acquiring funding
- applying and preparing for international conferences
- presenting in English
- improving your intercultural competence
- finding a job and preparing for job interviews –
  both during and at the end of your studies
- dealing with stress and sustaining a healthy work-life balance

... and many more! All workshops are free of charge and open to all international doctoral students irrespective of their disciplines.