

Financial support and skills training

The GSGG supports doctoral candidates and postdocs in their professional development, in building up academic networks, and in strengthening their trans-disciplinary skills.

Grants and stipends

- Short-term grants in the exposé and completion phase
- Postdoc stipends
- Qualification grants
- Individual support in developing writing skills for doctoral candidates from abroad

Allowances

- For conference and research trips
- For self-organised meetings, workshops and network gatherings
- Towards printing costs for dissertations

Courses

- Academic English
- Academic career development
- Mentoring
- Writing skills courses
- Team teaching
- Lecturing and presentation techniques
- Time and self-management

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Graduate Schools at the University of Göttingen

Doctoral training at Göttingen University takes place under the roof of three Graduate Schools. Together, the Schools host the doctoral programmes, the research training groups, and doctoral candidates working individually.



Graduate School of Humanities Göttingen (GSGG)



About us

The Graduiertenschule für Geisteswissenschaften Göttingen (Graduate School of Humanities Göttingen, GSGG) was set up in 2005 as a joint institution of the Faculty of Humanities and the Faculty of Theology. From the outset and continuing to this day, we have worked steadily to ensure good framework conditions for all those aspiring to gain a doctorate at our Faculties.

The fundamental basis of our work is to offer doctoral candidates a well structured doctoral phase, while at the same time supporting them in as specific a manner as possible.

The GSGG relies on the mutual commitment of its members – doctoral candidates and supervisors alike – who are researching and teaching at Göttingen University's more than 40 institutes and centres of scholarship in the humanities.





Doctoral programmes and individual doctoral studies

Under the roof of the GSGG, all doctoral programmes, research training groups and the doctoral degree programme in Theology are united.

The doctoral candidates within these programmes work on projects that correspond in thematic terms, while following a curriculum specifically tailored to the research area concerned.

But the majority of our members work towards their doctorates in various study and research contexts not built into doctoral programmes. Their doctoral phase takes the traditional form of working individually towards a PhD.

Structured doctoral studies and good supervision

Team supervision

Working together, two or three academics supervise each doctoral candidate. In addition to professors, postdoctoral researchers and external scholars can be members of the supervision committee.

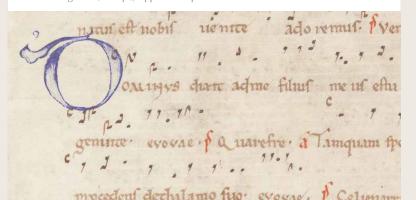
Doctoral agreement

The GSGG creates a binding framework for the various constellations of doctoral supervision existing within university departments and research centres, graduate programmes, and third-party-funded projects.

Doctoral candidates and supervisors agree on the following key points:

- Regular participation in a colloquium
- Yearly reports on the progress of the dissertation project
- Observation of the rules of good scientific practice

Musical fragment (excerpt), Apparatus diplomaticus



Measurement of brain activity carried out in the context of a linguistics experiment

Postdocs at the GSGG

The GSGG provides support for selected postdocs belonging to the Faculty of Humanities or the Faculty of Theology.

Postdocs as co-supervisors

Postdocs at our Faculties who are supervising one of our doctoral candidates are members of the GSGG.

Postdocs as leaders of GSGG junior researcher groups

Since August 2013, an international group of postdocs working in one of four specific research focus areas of the Göttingen humanities has been attached to the GSGG. Two postdocs head together a young researcher group consisting of up to 5 doctoral candidates.

The research focus areas:

- Language, Cognition and Text
- Multiple Modernities
- Religion
- Knowledge