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Unit 5.4 Early Career Researchers | Graduate Academy

Graduate Academy



Graduate Academy | At a Glance



- Central service unit for all early career researchers
- Open to all **doctoral candidates** and their **supervisors** as well as to all **postdocs** of TU Dresden
- Founded in 2013 (Excellence Initiative)
- Currently about 2.700 members
- Since 2020 joint Postdoc Center HZDR – TUD

Doing a doctorate at TU Dresden



Doctorates are administered by the 18 faculties of TU Dresden

- Doctoral Regulations, Doctoral Admission Board, Doctoral Office
- Registration as a doctoral candidate
- Submission of the doctoral thesis
- Organization and execution of the oral exam and the defense of the doctoral thesis
- Award of the doctoral degree

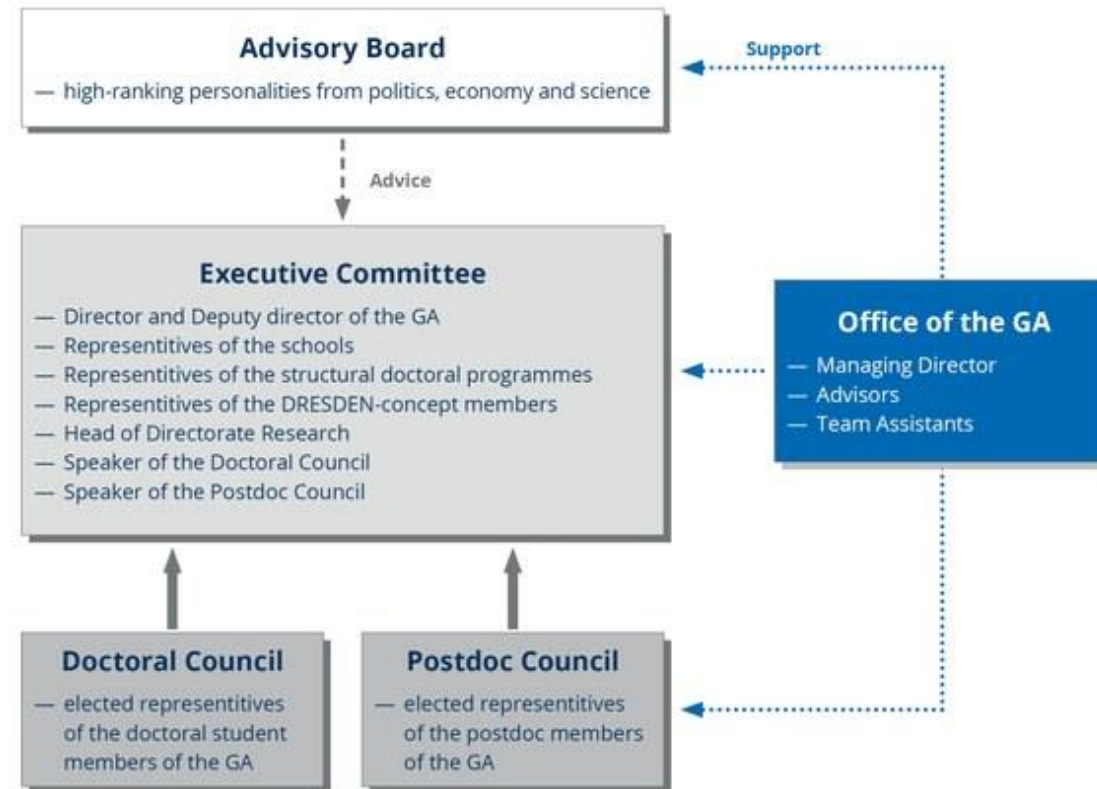
Graduate Academy | Objectives



- Fostering an excellent, internationally-orientated **academic culture** at TU Dresden
- Creating **optimal framework conditions** for realizing PhD and postdoctoral projects
- Supporting **all forms of doctoral studies**: individual doctorates as well as doctorates within structured programs
- Strengthening doctoral candidates' and postdocs' **identity as an academic group** at our university
- Increasing **international visibility** and reputation of the doctoral training at TU Dresden

Graduate Academy | Structure

Structure of the Graduate Academy



Graduate Academy | Membership

Membership is free of charge

Voluntary membership upon application:

- **Doctoral candidate**
accepted by one of TU Dresden's Faculties
- **Supervisor**
at least one of his/her supervised doctoral candidates must be member of the Graduate Academy
- **Postdoc**
employment/scholarship at TU Dresden
- **Associated membership**
 - doctoral candidates and postdocs engaged in collaborative projects with the TU Dresden, i.e. joint doctoral programs
 - postdocs more than six years after the conclusion of their doctorate



Offers | Qualification Program

- More than 130 Workshops p.a. in German and English
- Topic areas
 - I. Skills for Scientific Research | GSP
 - II. Science Communication
 - III. Professional in Science | Research Management
 - IV. Management & Leadership
 - V. Career Development
- Workshops on demand for structured programs or research groups
- Writing Lab



Offers | Advice and Coaching



Services indicated with * are exclusively available for members of the Graduate Academy.

Offers | Funding



For Postdocs

- Postdoc Starter Kit
- Maria-Reiche-Postdoctoral Fellowships
- Back to research grants



For PhD candidates

- Back to research grants
- Completion and Wrap up Grants
- Maria-Reiche-Doctoral Fellowships
- Saxon Scholarship Program for Doctoral Studies
- Proofreading Services



Mobility and Networking Grants (open to PhDs and Postdocs)

- Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays & Summer/Winter Schools Abroad
- Travel Awards for Conferences & Workshops
- Lab2Lab

Offers | Funding: Lab to Lab

Aim of the program:

- Promotion of the exchange and joint cooperation of young scientists on the basis of international cooperation between working groups (AGs).

Extent of funding:

- max. EUR 10,000 (duration: 18 months)

Type of funding:

- Mandatory module: research stay of a doctoral candidate or postdoc of the TU Dresden in the working group abroad
- Flexible modules:
 - ✓ Research stays of further doctoral candidates and/or postdocs of the participating working groups (incoming and outgoing)
 - ✓ Joint meetings of the partner groups, organized by the involved early career researches, at TU Dresden or abroad





Career Track Business

- Workshops, coaching offers & events
- Future Career Program: Business
- Future Career Program: Innovation

Career Track Academia

- Workshops, coaching offers & events
- Funding: Postdoc Starter Kits, Maria-Reiche-Postdoctoral Fellowships
- Mentoring Academia (Start: Wintersemester 2021/22)
- Writing Retreat

Career Track Science Management

- Workshops, coaching offers & events

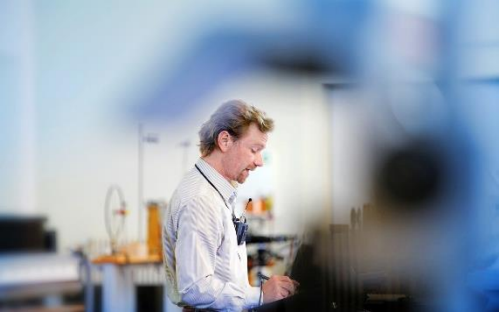
Doctoral Council | Postdoc Council



- The **GA Doctoral Council** (DDocs) and the **Postdoc Council** are the representation of the doctoral members and Postdocs of the Graduate Academy respectively.
- Both councils are elected once a year and serve the **networking of the PhD candidates and Postdocs** among each other.
- They **represent the interests** of the doctoral and postdoc GA members across disciplines.
- The spokespersons are appointed by the Rectorate as a **voting members of the GA Executive Committee**.

Graduate Academy | Events





Thank you very much for your attention!

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