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TUM Graduate School Technische Universität München

August 2023 Newsletter for Doctoral Candidates



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Dear Doctoral Candidates,

We hope this newsletter finds you well. Today, we have some exciting events, calls, and important information to share with you. Let's jump right into it! ③

In our TUM-GS section, we would like to announce that the registration for our upcoming TUM-GS Kick-Off Seminars until July 2024 will open on September 27th at noon. The Kick-Off will offer you valuable insights and networking opportunities at the start of your doctoral journey. Also, we are happy to share an outlook on our Transferable Skills Program for the upcoming academic year. From Thursday next week, August 16th, you can check out the complete program, which is designed to enhance your transferable skills in diverse areas.

On September 15th, the TUM Graduate Council is thrilled to host TUMblue 2023, an extraordinary networking event. Join for an evening of connections, laughter, and unforgettable memories. Secure your spot via DocGS and become a part of this legendary event!

If you are passionate about shaping and improving the environment for doctoral candidates at TUM, the Graduate Council encourages you to consider running for the upcoming Doctoral Representatives' Elections 2023 for your Graduate Center. The GC looks forward to welcoming new members to the team, to publicly represent the interests of their fellow doctoral candidates.

Heading into the new semester and ready for a new adventure? Then how about planning your research stay abroad? In our international section, we would like to draw your attention to the numerous research exchange opportunities offered by TUM-GS.

As always, we compiled further interesting events and calls for you in the TUM & Co. section.

PS: It will soon be time for your yearly data confirmation in DocGS. On September 1st, you will be notified via the email you provided in DocGS with all the information you need.

We wish you all a pleasant day!

TUM-GS News

Kick-Off Seminars 2024 – Registration opens on September 27th

Mark your calendars: On September 27th, at noon, our TUM-GS Kick-Off Seminars until July 2024 will be open for registration. Please have a look at our website for more information and the upcoming dates.

What awaits you at the TUM-GS Kick-Off Seminar? In three days, you will receive important information about doctoral research as well as an introduction to Good Scientific Practice. Additionally, there will be numerous opportunities for networking through activities such as a guided Walk & Talk and a custom-designed Escape Game. A two-day workshop, conducted by experienced trainers focusing on different topics, completes the Kick-Off Seminar and offers an insight into the extensive transferable skills training program of the TUM-GS. You will spend the three days with around 100 doctoral candidates from all disciplines in the picturesque setting of an old monastery, the TUM Science & Study Center Raitenhaslach. A gentle reminder: The Kick-Off Seminar is a mandatory part of your doctorate. To get the most out of it, we advise you to take part in your doctorate's first phase.



Impression from our Kick-Off Seminar (Photo TUM-GS)

Learn more

Check out our Transferable Skills Program for the upcoming academic year!

With the new semester slowly approaching, it's a good time to reflect on your skills and abilities and how they impact your plans and career. What better way than to participate in our Transferable Skills Training Program? From Thursday next week, August 16th, you will see the complete course program for the upcoming academic year on our website. Starting from August 17th, you will already be able to register for some courses via DocGS - such as our brand new offering "How to get into the (non-academic) German job market ". This course is specifically aimed at international doctoral candidates planning to head-start their careers in Germany after the doctorate.



Are you up for a challenge? Join the two-day course "Führungsseminar in den Alpen", taking place in the alps. (Photo: Pexels)

Are you up for a challenge? Due to popular demand, we now offer our "Führungsseminar in den Alpen" twice per semester. The unique thing about it: The two-day seminar takes place in the Alps (Brannenburg) and combines scientifically based theoretical impulses on leadership and self-leader-ship with practical experiences of self-leadership during an alpine hiking experience.

However, this is only a small part of our extensive program. This semester, we are organizing more than 70 different courses, 30 of them in English and 30 online, to meet the individual needs of all doctoral candidates. Join us to expand and develop transferable skills that will benefit you throughout your doctorate and beyond. You don't want to miss any important updates and free spots in the program? Then sign up for our Transferable Skills Training Newsletter!

Learn more

Your annual data confirmation in DocGS

The annual data confirmation ("Rückmeldung") starts on September 1st and ends on October 15th. As soon as you have confirmed your data in DocGS, your supervisor will automatically be asked to confirm the data as well. Only if both parties confirm the data before the deadline on October 15th, your membership will continue regularly. All candidates will be officially notified on September 1st via the email address provided in DocGS. Therefore, please remember to check your mailbox (and remind your colleagues \bigcirc).

Graduate Council

TUMblue on September 15th – Come as you are, Network like a star! *

The TUM Graduate Council is excited to announce TUMblue 2023:

The upcoming networking event that promises to be an extraordinary evening of connections, laughter, and unforgettable moments. Before you secure your spot, here are a few important details to keep in mind:

- Event Date: September 15th •
- Event Time: 7:00 p.m. 2:00 a.m. •
- Location: Mathematics Informatics Building, Boltzmannstr. 3, 85748 Garching bei München
- Registration in DocGS: August 1st September 14th

ney or are close to reaching the finish line, this event is for you!



Mark your calendar, rally your enthusiasm, and prepare for an evening that will transcend the boundaries of networking. The Graduate Council can't wait to see you there!

TUMblue poster: "Come as you are, Network like a star (Image: Graduate Council)

Register

you may need.

Call for Doctoral Representatives' Elections 2023

Would you like to shape and improve the environment for doctoral candidates at TUM? Are there certain topics you would like to address? Or are you a social person who would like to meet and network with like-minded peers? Then becoming a doctoral representative of your Graduate Center would be the perfect opportunity for you.

The elections of doctoral representatives are currently being planned at the TUM Graduate Centers. Contact the current representatives of your Graduate Center for detailed information about the tasks to be done as well as the procedure for applying. A list of the current representatives and their contact details can be found here. The term of the position is one year, usually starting in October 2023 and ending on September 30th, 2024. The Graduate Council hopes to welcome you to the team as a representative of your Graduate Center.



Internationalization

Go abroad with a TUM-GS Research Exchange

Heading into the new semester and ready for a new adventure? Then how about planning your research stay abroad? We at TUM Graduate School offer various research exchange programs to foster international collaborations and intercultural experiences for early-career researchers. This means you have the chance to visit world-leading universities for up to one year with access to all their facilities and additional funding from TUM-GS.

Sounds good? Let's look at your opportunities: As part of the EuroTech Universities Alliance, we enable our doctoral candidates to research at multiple leading technical universities in Europe within the EuroTech Joint Supervision Program.



Photo of a globe held by a person (Photo: Pexels)

Of course, opportunities are waiting for you beyond Europe, such as in Brazil – with the newly established research exchange program between TUM and the Universidade Estadual Paulista "Júlio de Mesquita Filho" (UNESP), the state university of São Paulo. Our most popular exchange program is with the prestigious University of Queensland (UQ) in Brisbane, Australia. And you're just in time to apply by September 1st for a start in January 2024. We are also pleased to announce that our new exchange program with TUM's flagship partner Tsinghua University, China's leading university for many years in a row, is now open for applications. We are continuously enlarging our international portfolio – stay tuned for our next Joint Supervision Program with the Nanyang Technical University Singapore (NTU) that is currently in the final stage of negotiations between both universities.

More detailed information on the respective programs and application procedures can be found on our website. Seize your chance to expand your international network and gain new experiences that will surely enrich your personal and professional profile!

Learn more

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Data Steward Training by the TUM University Library

In the winter semester 2023/24, the University Library offers up to ten TUM researchers the opportunity to train as data stewards. In this Data Steward Training, you will gain in-depth knowledge of the research data infrastructure, develop solutions for discipline-specific research data management needs, and become empowered to support other researchers in your discipline or project in handling data. The training takes place on Mondays from 2-3 p.m. between October 16th, 2023 and February 12th, 2024. The first and last meeting will take place in person at Campus Munich, all other meetings will be held online in Zoom. The training is in English and free of charge. Seize your opportunity and apply until August 31st!

https://web.tum.de/en/researchdata/training/data-steward-training/

TUM Prep Call for Project Proposals

In the framework of the Practical Research Experience Program (TUM PREP), each summer, TUM invites excellent students from selected North American universities and the Imperial College London to spend a research stay at TUM. TUM professors, research assistants and doctoral candidates have the opportunity to integrate excellent bachelor and master's students from those selected partner

universities into their research projects for two months. Be part of TUM PREP 2023 and submit short descriptions for your project ideas by August 20th, 2023. https://wiki.tum.de/x/PIgVE

PostDoc in den USA mit dem Fulbright-Programm Forschung und Lehre

Mit dem Fulbright-Programm Forschung und Lehre können sich promovierte Wissenschaftler*innen mit deutscher Staatsangehörigkeit für einen drei- bis neunmonatigen Lehr- oder Forschungsaufenthalt an einer wissenschaftlichen Einrichtung in den USA bewerben. Insbesondere richtet sich die Ausschreibung an Wissenschaftler*innen, die durch ihre Persönlichkeit und Ihr Engagement aktiv zum akademischen und kulturellen Austausch zwischen Deutschland und den USA beitragen. Bewerbungen können jederzeit eingereicht werden, mindestens jedoch neun Monate vor geplantem Aufenthaltsbeginn. Das Stipendium finanziert u.a. monatliche Unterhaltskosten von 2.000€/Monat, die transatlantische Reise und eine Kranken-/Unfallversicherung.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!

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