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TUM Graduate School  
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## Transferable Skills Training Newsletter



Picture of a woman in deep thought  
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Dear doctoral candidates,

Embarking on the doctoral research journey is not just about expanding academic horizons, but also about exploring different situations and their ethical implications. For researchers and leaders across different fields, especially within the **Future Skills** theme, the ability to navigate complex ethical dilemmas and make sense of rapidly evolving contexts is crucial.

Research involves more than just generating knowledge; it is also about understanding the limits to the development of your science, considering the implications of one's work and ensuring its ethical integrity. Being engaged in groundbreaking research but also dealing with emerging ethical challenges: the way you are able to navigate these complexities and recognize their limits will definitely define your academic journey.

By being clear and coherent in rapidly changing situations you can also empower yourselves and create something with meaning and value. Sense-making could enable you to navigate uncertainty and, at the same time, foster the creation of meaningful innovations, evolving and adapting in new structures and frameworks.

Keeping these two aspects in mind while pursuing a doctorate can serve as a guide not only to navigate the moral landscape of research, but also for embarking on the journey ahead with a clear structure and values that will benefit our society.

Tools to address such topics can be found at our offer for the new Summer Semester 2024. Our [Transferable Skills Training](#) can enrich this journey of exploration and discovery through our various courses, providing new insights into your research, your academic integrity, and future contributions to society.

For updates on news or exciting events for doctoral candidates, visit our [website](#) and subscribe to our [TUM-GS Newsletter](#) to learn more about our offerings!

## “What’s new?”

### Transferable Skills Training: New course program for Summer Semester 2024 is now available

While it is important to deepen your knowledge of your research field during your doctoral journey, it is equally important to develop the skills that will serve you well in your future professional endeavors and personal life. To support you in this development, [TUM Graduate School](#) has a selection of courses aimed at improving your competency profile. As the new semester approaches, we encourage you to explore our offer for the Summer Semester 2024. Registration for courses is already available! 😊



Picture of a person typing on a laptop  
(Image: Pexels)

### Onboarding for new teaching staff at TUM (ProLehre | Media and Didactics)

The beginning of a career as a university teacher can be challenging. To make the start in teaching easier, [ProLehre | Media and Didactics](#) experts have developed a didactical onboarding training program for new academic staff. In this twelve-hour online course, you will learn the essential didactic and technical basics for teaching at a university. You can complete the [TUM Onboarding Course](#) taking asynchronous self-study elements and participating in synchronous live sessions. The course will be held in English, is 100% online, and has a total workload of about 12 hours. It will not take too much of your time and it will help you to improve your teaching skills.



Picture of a man talking in public  
(Image: Pexels)

Program dates: March 18 - April 11, 2024

Online live sessions:

- 1st meeting: March 25, 2024 (9:00 – 12:30 hours)
- 2nd meeting: April 3, 2024 (10:00 – 11:00 hours) -Peer Group Meeting-

- 3rd meeting: April 11, 2024 (10:00 – 12:00 hours)

Deadline: March 17, 2024 (midnight)

[More information](#)

## “Inside the courses”

### Career Paths in Academia: (Funding) Opportunities for Postdocs *Soon! Book your spot now!*

It is well known that pursuing a career in academia can be tedious and many young researchers continue their career beyond a doctorate without being aware of the career system. They are expected to raise third-party funds, but are not given any advice and training on how to apply for these funds. In this workshop, you will get an overview of the largest funding organizations in Germany and the third party funding system, as well as general insights in the career paths at a university. The workshop aims at early career researchers and doctoral candidates who want to gain insight into the system and prepare for their first application in Germany.

March 05, 2024

13:00 – 15:30 hours

Online | English

[Register](#)



Picture of a woman smiling  
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### Schreibwerkstatt: Erfolgreich wissenschaftlich schreiben

Whether it is a dissertation, research report, paper or other type of publication: Writing scientific texts is a challenge; writing original and interesting texts even more so. Do you want to improve the quality of your academic texts, gain more ease and confidence in scientific writing? Do you want to convince your readers of your studies through a clear message, comprehensible argumentation and understandable statements? If you want to write successfully, you need tools and strategies that promote the flow of writing and steer the writing process - towards a good scientific text. In many task and exercise settings, you will work practically and concretely on the various aspects and competencies of scientific writing.

March 07 – 08, 2024

09:00 – 17:00 hours

Campus Garching | German

[Register](#)



Picture of a man looking at a laptop  
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## Wege aus der Wissenschaft

Those who do research and academic work also do things that are relevant in the job market outside of science and research - whether in the private or public sector. For a doctoral candidate, however, these connections are sometimes not obvious or difficult to describe - there is often a lack of information about possible fields of activity and career paths outside the university or about suitable application and networking strategies. In this workshop you will gain clarity about your own professional skills profile in relation to the non-university job market and generate ideas as to which job options can be derived directly from this skills profile.

March 25, 2024

09:00 – 14:00 hours

Online | German

[Register](#)



Picture of person walking on a road  
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## Collaborative Negotiation

In everyday interactions, individuals engage in negotiation, whether it is with suppliers, superiors, or colleagues, sometimes overtly and sometimes subtly. Building and maintaining positive relationships, fostering trust, and cultivating a harmonious working environment are typically deemed important outcomes of these negotiations. Employing a collaborative negotiation style is a proven method for navigating negotiations within relationships successfully. This workshop focuses on improving skills in collaborative negotiation through various exercises, many of which mirror real-life professional scenarios. Participants will also explore aspects such as negotiation preparation and the impact of voice and body language within this framework.

March 26 – 28, 2024

09:00 – 13:30 hours

Online | English

[Register](#)



Picture of people shaking hands  
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## Courses now open for booking





## Personality & Self-Management

[Mental Health](#)

March 08, 2024 | Campus Garching | English

[Produktive Gelassenheit](#)

April 08 – 09, 2024 | Online | German

[Find your Flow - zielgerichtet und motiviert promovieren \(Gruppe I\)](#)

April 12 & May 03, 2024 | Hybrid | German



## Communication & Methodological Competence

[Schreibwerkstatt: Erfolgreich wissenschaftlich schreiben](#) **Soon! Book your spot now!**

March 07 – 08, 2024 | Campus Garching | German

[Vortragshetorik](#) **Soon! Book your spot now!**

March 07 – 08, 2024 | Campus Garching | German

[Projekte flexibler gestalten: Einführung ins Agile Projektmanagement](#)

March 11 – 12, 2024 | Campus Garching | German

[Presentation Basics: Present your Results Convincingly](#)

March 12 – 13, 2024 | Campus Garching | English

[Introduction to R](#) **Registration starts soon!**

April 22 – 24, 2024 | Online | English

[Scientific Writing and Yoga Retreat](#) **Registration starts soon!**

April 23 – 26, 2024 | Campus Garching | English



## Leadership & Responsibility

[Fit for Leadership?!](#)

April 11 – 12, 2024 | Online | English



## Science & Research

[Career Paths in Academia: \(Funding\) Opportunities for Postdocs](#) **Soon! Book your spot now!**

March 06, 2024 | Online | English



## Entrepreneurship & Startups

[Develop Your Entrepreneurial Thinking](#)

March 18 – 19, 2024 | Campus Garching | English



## Business & Industry

[How to get into the non-academic German job market](#)

March 21 – 22, 2024 | Campus Garching | English

[Wege aus der Wissenschaft](#)

March 25, 2024 | Online | German

[Collaborative Negotiation](#)

March 26 – 28, 2024 | Online | English

[Application strategies - How to market yourself](#)

April 11, 2024 | Online | English

[Die GmbH - von der Gründung bis zum Exit \*\*Registration starts soon!\*\*](#)

April 16, 2024 | Campus Garching | German

[Grundlagenseminar „Betriebswirtschaftslehre in Finanzen und Controlling“ für Promovierende \*\*Registration starts soon!\*\*](#)

April 25 – 26, 2024 | Online | German

## Additional offers

[Compact Course Literature Research for Your Dissertation \(UB-TUM\)](#)

Focus on Medicine

February 20, 2024 | Online | English

[Cite It Right \(UB-TUM\)](#)

February 20, 2024 | Online | English

[Sichtbarkeit und Impact von Forschung \(UB-TUM\)](#)

February 23, 2024 | Munich: Barer Str. 21, 2nd floor, Room 2534 | German

[Kompaktkurs Literaturrecherche für die Dissertation \(UB-TUM\)](#)

Focus on Life Science

February 29, 2024 | Freising: Branch Library Life Sciences, Maximus-von-Imhof-Forum 1-3 Library, Room EG L 10 | German

[Compact Course Literature Research for Your Dissertation \(UB-TUM\)](#)

Focus on Electrical Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics

March 01, 2024 | Online | English

[From PhD to Innovator \(Young Entrepreneurs in Science\)](#)

March 07 - 08, 2024 | Munich: TUM Venture Lab Built Environment, Building 0503, Arcisstr. 21, 2nd floor, Room 2345 | English

[Research Data Management Basics \(UB-TUM\)](#)

March 08, 2024 | Munich: Barer Str. 21, 2nd floor, Room 2534 | English

[Routes to Publishing \(UB-TUM\)](#)

March 13, 2024 | Online | English

[Zitieren für Wissenschaftler:innen \(UB-TUM\)](#)

March 15, 2024 | Online | German

[Visibility and Research Impact \(UB-TUM\)](#)

March 19, 2024 | Online | English

[Predatory Journals and Conferences \(UB-TUM\)](#)

March 21, 2024 | Online | English

[Zitieren statt Plagiiere \(UB-TUM\)](#)

March 21, 2024 | Munich: Barer Str. 21, 2nd floor, Room 2534 | German

[English Courses for Staff \(TUM Sprachenzentrum\)](#)

WiSe 23-24 | Online and on-site | English

[Nature Master Class \(TUM ForTe\)](#)

WiSe 23-24 | Online | English

[Postdoc Workshops \(TUM ForTe\)](#)

WiSe 23-24 | Online and on-site | English

[Postdoc101 Talks: Online-Ringvorlesung für Postdoktorand:innen \(TUM ForTe\)](#)

WiSe 23-24 | Online | English

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. Also, if you have any ideas for courses, we are always happy to receive your suggestions.

Best regards

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