



Curriculum

Members in their first year at the HGGS participate in the following events and courses. All courses may also be taken by **other members** after prior registration.

1st year:

- Introductory Workshop
- Foundation Seminar »Interdisciplinarity«
- Colloquium
- PhD Seminar (i) about a concept from the humanities/social sciences

In the course of the three-year membership, a **second PhD Seminar** shall be taken, as well as one **Transferable Skills Workshop** offered through the HGGS or the Graduate Academy. Alternatively, members may choose to select two Workshops instead of a second PhD Seminar.

In order to reduce the workload in the first year of the PhD, we suggest taking the following courses in the second or third year of the membership. However, all courses are accessible to members in any given year.

2nd - 3rd Year:

- Transferable Skills Workshop (i)
- Second PhD Seminar (ii) *or* second Transferable Skills Workshop (ii)
- Colloquium (50% in year 2 or 3)
- Lecture/Workshop with Guest Professor
- Summer/Winter School *or* international Conference*

*Members may also submit attendance certificates for external conferences and schools.

In the course of the academic year, the HGGS hosts two key events for all members and their PhD supervisors.

Annual events:

- Opening Ceremony
- Forum

The HGGS-Forum (annual conference) that takes place during the summer semester builds thematically upon the PhD Seminar (i) that is offered earlier in the year. The participation of all members in each year



of their HGGS-membership is foreseen. All **new members and members in their third HGGS-year** should give a presentation or design a poster for the Forum. All new members participate in the organization and monitoring of the Forum (Conference Management).

At the end of the academic year, all members submit an **annual report** (2-3 pages) that details their progress as well as their plans for the following academic year. The evaluation questionnaire gives the PhD candidates the opportunity for constructive criticism and encourages their input for the further development of the HGGS. They also have the opportunity to stand for election as a member of the PhD representatives of the HGGS. At the **general meeting** once a year, all PhD members vote for their new reps and discuss issues related to the HGGS.

Review of the academic year:

- General meeting with the PhD representatives
- Annual report with evaluation questionnaire

Members in their 2nd HGGS-year who are abroad for field work or conferences are exempt from the annual events (Forum, General Meeting, Opening Ceremony). The annual report must be submitted each year.

The HGGS-Programme, as described above, represents the minimum requisites for all members. In addition, the HGGS offers its members selective courses that can be taken upon demand. The PhD members of the HGGS are also encouraged to initiate their own interdisciplinary projects and apply for funding through the **Peer Mentoring** scheme.

Electives:

- Seminars
- Workshops
- Conferences
- Summer/Winter Schools
- Guest lectures
- Lecture series
- Peer Mentoring projects

The **HGGS-Certificate** will be awarded at the end of the third membership year, upon completion of the required courses and submission of the last annual report.

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