INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

The HGGS hosts a large international community with doctoral members from over 30 different countries. Each year, the graduate school invites doctoral researcher from all world regions to apply for membership and research stays at Heidelberg University. Full doctoral projects and short-term research visits at the HGGS can be funded through the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), the Baden-Württemberg Foundation, the Coimbra Group and other organisations that support international mobility. Thanks to its active exchange programme with universities in several world regions, the HGGS also regularly welcomes internationally renowned professors.

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APPLICATION

The Graduate School accepts applications for membership from candidates in their first or second year of doctoral research. Interdisciplinary dissertation projects with any thematic focus in the humanities, social sciences and law are eligible to participate in the HGGS. Application deadlines are published on the HGGS homepage.

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The HGGS Graduate School stands for innovative doctoral research in the humanities, social sciences and law at one of Europe’s top-ranking institutions, Heidelberg University. It offers doctoral candidates a dynamic, collaborative research environment within a broad national and international network that crosses disciplinary boundaries and fosters new research projects in a range of strategic areas.

Inter- and transdisciplinarity are at the centre of the academic exchange at the HGGS. The Graduate School thus embraces the recommendations for interdisciplinary doctoral research by the League of European Research Universities, the British Academy and other renowned organizations and scholars in the EU and abroad and responds to the needs of young researchers to adapt to significant changes in academia and society. Bringing together a creative and supportive academic community of doctoral researchers, the HGGS encourages its members to develop original research ideas in dialogue with peers from different faculties.

The HGGS serves the doctoral community of six large faculties and is as such a strategic nexus for Field of Focus 3 »Cultural Dynamics in Globalised Worlds« and Field of Focus 4 »Self-regulation and regulation: individuals and societies« at Heidelberg University.

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HGGS PROGRAMME

The programme for doctoral candidates includes a tailor-made curriculum with interdisciplinary seminars and workshops that facilitate critical debates about individual doctoral projects of HGGS members and about academic research in the context of 21st century challenges. Most courses are offered in a compact format to foster the intensive academic exchange whilst allowing the academic freedom to drive ahead individual doctoral work. Doctoral members can also design their own workshops or projects and publish the results with the support of the HGGS.

The HGGS supports doctoral initiatives through the Peer Mentoring scheme. Doctoral members can set up interdisciplinary groups in order to research key concepts, explore new ideas and debate contemporary challenges. With the financial and logistic support of the HGGS, the results of the research projects can be made accessible to a wider audience through exhibitions, publications, conferences or workshops.

DOCTORAL MEMBERS

The HGGS is a hub for a committed academic community of national and international doctoral researchers, who want to drive ahead their dissertation projects in the active exchange with peers and professors from six participating faculties and research groups in the humanities, law and the social sciences. They present their work-in-progress in the HGGS Research Colloquium and contribute with their own research to workshops with lecturers from Heidelberg University and international partner universities.

HGGS members cultivate the critical scientific exchange in a collegial atmosphere and find the constructive feedback from their peers and from professors of different faculties invaluable for their own research.

Doctoral members of the HGGS also have access to career workshops, courses on academic writing and publishing, expert guidance on funding and a wide range of career support through the HGGS, the Graduate Academy and other partner institutes at Heidelberg University.

»The HGGS gave and gives me the chance to get in touch with young and experienced scholars from different fields in a way that opens my mind and stimulates the reflections about different aspects of my work.« Chiara De Gregorio

»I have significantly learnt from the HGGS activities with regard to interdisciplinary research methods, which in turn have contributed to the development of my own work.« Camilo Cuervo

»HGGS membership, which gave me fascinating interdisciplinary insight into my research, came as a real inspiration at the crucial moment of redesigning my Ph.D. work.« Hüsnü Yilmaz