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National Academics
Panel Study

The new study on doctoral candidates in Germany

Doing your doctorate?

Why you should participate in the Nacaps survey:

You'll be actively supporting a research project



As a doctoral candidate, you yourself are carrying out research. Nacaps is a project in the context of higher education research and science studies, directed above all at the scientific community. Support us with your participation – as a colleague!

Your experience will influence future decisions



Apart from the scientific community, HEIs and politicians will also use the findings to make evidence-based decisions. They can appraise the effectiveness of services or programmes and thus improve doctorate conditions and support early career researchers more effectively.

You'll help to underpin arguments with facts



Working conditions and career paths of early career researchers are the subject of lively public discussion. We will evaluate your answers to our questions in an open-ended way, so we can contribute hard evidence to the debates.

Your personal path counts



Whether you're a musicologist or chemist, a scholarship holder or research assistant: studying for a doctorate in Germany takes many forms. Collecting the experiences of each individual doctoral candidate is important in order to reflect this diversity.

You can reflect on your own career



You can use the survey as an opportunity to reflect on your own career. The survey findings will be made available in a publicly accessible data portal, giving you an interesting external perspective.

You'll be part of a unique study



Our study is the only representative scientific examination of doctoral candidates and doctorate holders in Germany. You can be part of it!

Our thanks



As a thank-you to our respondents, we are holding a prize draw for all participants, with attractive prizes.

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As a doctoral candidate, in February 2021 you will receive an invitation to participate in the Nacaps Online-Survey.

For further information about the study see: www.nacaps.de.

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