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 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.

**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.

**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.

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.