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Dear doctoral students,
Dear graduates,

In this May-newsletter we would like to inform you about announcements and events which might be of interest for your doctoral studies.

With kind regards from the Office of the Dean of Studies of the Faculty of Social Sciences,

Martin Ertelt

Information from the GGG:

GGG's qualification program

The qualification program of GGG includes courses about self- and social competences, competences needed for your PhD project and professional skills. In the third quarter 2019 we offer the following courses:

- June 17, 2019: [Wissenschaftsmanagement – ist das was für mich?](#) (registration via link), Dr. Anna Beck, Dr. Sabine Heerwart
- June 24 & July 15, 2019: [Disputation. Ein Vorbereitungskurs](#) (registration via link), Angelika Thielsch
- July 22-25, 2019: [Week of Methods](#)
- Sep 4-6, 2019: [Grundlagen der Mitarbeiter*innenführung](#)

As of now, [registration](#) has started for the third quarter courses in 2019. You can find detailed information on the application procedure [here](#).

Week of Methods 2019 (July 22 to 25, 2019)

We continue our long tradition again this year: The 14th Week of Methods will take place from July 22 until 25 at the Convention Center by the Observatory. As usually, you can choose from four parallel method-workshops in order to broaden your methodological knowledge in an interdisciplinary way:

- [Workshop 1: Design Science Research – How to Scientifically Solve Problems?](#) (Dr. Alfred Benedikt Brendel, Göttingen)
- [Workshop 2: Rigorous Impact Evaluation: Randomized Control Trials and Non-experimental Methods](#) (Prof. Dr. Andreas Landmann, Göttingen)
- [Workshop 3: Grounded Theory: Eine Einführung unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der Situationsanalyse nach Adele E. Clarke](#) (Dr. Yvonne Franke, Göttingen)
- [Workshop 4: Socio-Legal Lab: An Introduction to Law in Action](#) (Lisa Hahn, Siddarth de Souza)

The Week of Methods will open with the keynote by Dr. Daniela Heitzmann, Göttingen: „Diversity and the Power of Numbers: A Critical Perspective on Statistics and Politics in Higher Education“. The registration period for the 14th Week of Methods is open from 14 May until 16 June 2019.

At registration, please indicate your first and second preference for a workshop. You can find all the details on registration, program and certificate requirements [here](#).

Support measures

The Göttingen Graduate School of Social Sciences provides support measures and scholarships for PhD students of social sciences. You can apply for language revision grant and for a family friendly completion grant. Deadline will be June 15, 2019. Further up-to-date information can be found on the [GGG homepage](#).

Election of the next GGG PhD students' representation June 3 - 27, 2019

The election of the GGG PhD students' representation is imminent: It will take place from June 3 until 27, 2019 as an online election. All PhD students of GGG will receive an e-mail with access data and the corresponding link in it. If you are GGG member and you do not receive an e-mail with the link by June 3, please check your spam folder. If you still cannot find the e-mail, please contact us directly. The GGG PhD students' representation plays an important role as contact person for PhD students of social sciences and gives them a voice in the graduate school, the university and in public. The representative has full right to vote in the executive board of GGG and can thus take part in the decision on e.g. the allocation of the funding measures.

More information on the candidates, Ms. Zilles and Mr. Matawana, can be found [here](#).

Statistics Consultant for PhD students

In cooperation with the Graduate Schools, the Center for Statistics offers statistical consulting for PhD students. The consulting service supports PhD students regarding the handling of different types of data (e.g. cross-sectional, longitudinal or time series data) and model selection (e.g. generalized linear models, mixed models or structural equation models). Additionally, the implementation of the data analysis in different statistical software packages (R, SPSS, Stata) or advice on the interpretation and scientific representation of results are part of the consulting service. Interested PhD students can register [here](#).

Save the date: International PhD Day (09.10.2019)

In cooperation with the university's International Office the four Göttingen Graduate Schools will organize an International PhD day for new and experienced incomings. We will offer a short workshop on German Academic Culture, an entertaining guided city tour (in English), and a guided tour at the university's north campus with some scientific highlights. During the day, the graduate schools will hold a meet&greet where you can get in touch with the consultants and inform yourself about our guidance, support, and qualification offers for PhD students. We will close the day with a reception in the beautiful Old Townhall where the mayor will give a welcome address on behalf of the Town of Göttingen. More information will follow during summer!

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Do you have an idea or criticism on the topics of teaching and learning? The Representative for Academic Quality, Ms. Meike Gottschlich, is available as ombudsperson. Together with her team she deals with your suggestions and complaints regarding academic quality and difficulties during your studies. All information is treated strictly confidential and on request anonymously. More information and contact can be found [here](#).