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## Dear doctoral students, Dear graduates,

In this February-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 in the second quarter 2019

The GGG divides the course year into four quarters. You can sign up for courses of a quarter six weeks before the quarter starts. 12 to 16 PhD students can participate in a particular course. Places are assigned on a first come, first served basis. Four weeks before the course starts, application is considered binding. The [qualification program of the GGG and cooperating partners](#) includes courses about self- and social competences, competences needed for your PhD project and professional skills. In the second quarter 2019 we offer the following courses:

- 18.03.2019: ["Marketing in eigener Sache" - Ein Workshop für Promovierende beim Berufseinstieg](#) (German), Wolfgang Leybold
- 14.05.2019: [„Gute wissenschaftliche Praxis: Verantwortungsvolles Forschen während der Promotion \(GGG/GGG\)“](#) (German, for registration see link), Dr. Sabine Heerwart
- 23.05.-24.05.2019: [„Schreibcoaching: Strategisch die Doktorarbeit schreiben“](#) (German), Dr. Jutta Wergen

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

#### Support measures

The Göttingen Graduate School of Social Sciences provides support measures and scholarships for PhD students of social sciences. Further up-to-date information can be found on the [GGG homepage](#).

#### PhD Funding Guidance and the Helpdesk for International PhD students

Since 01.12.2018, [Judith Wassiltschenko](#) has been working at GGG office. She is in charge of the PhD Funding Guidance and the Helpdesk for International PhD students. Thus, she is your contact for all general questions on starting, conducting and finishing PhD studies at the graduate school. The support at GGG is an additional offer complementing the professional support of the supervising teachers and the administrative supervision of the respective faculties and gives advice on support measures at GGG, within Göttingen University and from other institutions. She can help you with the search for a scholarship donor and also with application for grants. Furthermore, she is the contact person for international PhD students for all sorts of questions. Consultation is strictly confidential and third parties are only informed upon your consent. Open office hours for the PhD Funding Guidance and the Helpdesk for International PhD students are on Tuesdays, 8.30 am to 10.00 am. In addition, flexible dates can be arranged via e-mail.

#### Invitation to "Biographiezirkel" (26.03.2019)

The project "genderechte Inklusion für Promovendinnen" invites female doctoral candidates to a "Biographiezirkel". The campus-wide program addresses female doctoral candidates, Master students and postdocs who are confronted with additional challenges during their qualification phase due to disabilities, chronic diseases or psychological diseases. Detailed information can be found on the website of the [project](#).

#### Counseling on Mixed Methods Designs (23.05.2019)

Are you applying a Mixed Methods Design for your PhD project? On May 23, 2019, you have the opportunity to ask proven experts in this field for advice on your project. This offer is part of the workshop „Methods for Integrative Data Analysis“, which is organized by the DFG Research Network „Mixed Methods und Multimethods Research in der empirischen Sozialforschung“ and takes place in cooperation with SOFI, the Centre of Methods in Social Sciences and GGG. In order to give you fruitful advice, these experts will have to prepare, too. Therefore, please sign up for personal counseling until April 1, 2019. You can find further information on this offer and details on registration [here](#).

#### Lecture: "Inclusion during a Doctorate? Chances, Risks, and Side Effects when Doing a Doctorate with a Disability" (16.05.2019, in German)

How do PhD students with disabilities experience everyday life at a university? What kind of challenges are they faced with? Whom do they inform about their disabilities? What kind of reactions show supervisors on that? What solutions do they have when dealing with potential problems? And are disabilities or health problems actually taken into account in PhD regulations? In her lecture Susanne Groth will be focusing on experience and knowledge from the project "PROMI – Promotion inklusive". The lecture will be in German, but discussion in English is welcome, too. More information can be found [here](#).

#### It does not always have to be science: Career prospects after a doctorate, in the area of "Mobility" – GGG alumni talk (20.05.2019)

You have been wondering about what to do after completing your doctorate? Staying in academia is only one option, as a doctorate (in the field of social sciences) opens up far more possibilities. In order to show you some of these options, alumni will talk about their own experience on the way to and in positions outside academia. On the base of "Praxismodule", this year's alumni talk on career paths will focus on careers in the area of mobility. In the run-up to the "Praxisbörse" 2019, we would like to invite you to join us for a Round Table in German language at the Conference Center by the Observatory on 20.05.2019, from 06:00 to 09:00 pm. Several alumni of GGG will talk about their current position and how they got there, what defines their work and what was crucial on their way. After the talk there will be time to ask your own questions and to chat while having some drinks and snacks. We kindly ask you to [register](#) until 13.05.2019. Further information can be found [here](#).

#### Save the Date: Week of Methods 2019 (22.07.-25.07.2019)

Also this year, our tradition will be carried on as the 14th Week of Methods is scheduled to take place from 22.07.-25.07.2019. The program is not finally defined yet, but will be published soon [here](#).