

Graduate Academy (GA)

As your competent contact partner for all questions around the doctoral phase and beyond, the GA aims at creating university-wide ideal research and working conditions for doctoral candidates and postdocs.

We offer:

- a **qualification program** specifically designed for young researchers,
- individual **advice** and information before, during and after the PhD,
- individual **coaching** regarding matters of professional change processes and career development
- own **funding programs** for doctoral candidates and postdocs, e.g. long-term and short-term fellowships as well as mobility and network grants,
- **events** providing the opportunity for interdisciplinary exchange and networking,
- **GA Writing Lab** including writing advisory service, workshops and workspace.

Joint Postdoc Center HZDR-TUD

You are a postdoc at the TU Dresden or the HZDR? Within our joint Postdoc Center HZDR-TUD we help postdocs to proactively and strategically develop their personal strengths and competencies from the very beginning in order to get to know and try out career paths within and outside academia at an early stage. We offer a comprehensive advisory service, qualification and networking events, which are tailored specifically to the postdoc phase.

The Postdoc Center is a joint project of the TU Dresden and the Helmholtz-Zentrum Dresden-Rossendorf (HZDR) under the umbrella of the GA.

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All doctoral candidates and their supervisors at TU Dresden as well as all postdocs at TU Dresden and at HZDR can apply for **membership** at the GA. **Registration** is possible at www.tu-dresden.de/ga/membership.

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Graduate Academy At a Glance





Qualification

The **GA qualification program** aims at enabling doctoral candidates and postdocs to successfully cope with the current stage of their scientific career. Furthermore, we offer training opportunities to prepare them for their future career steps. The program covers five areas:

- Skills for scientific research
- Science Communication
- Professional in Science / Research Management
- Leadership and Management Skills
- Career Development

The GA organizes **workshops on demand** for structured programs or research groups beyond the respective semester program. Workshops on the following topics can be offered internally free of charge by specially qualified GA trainers:

- Time and Self-Management
- Scientific writing
- Good scientific practice
- Career orientation & application to the non-university job market

Within the framework of the **GA Writing Lab**, GA members can find support for their own writing projects.

The following offers are available:

- Writing Advice and Consultation
- Workshops
- Writing groups
- Online writing weeks
- Writing retreat

Funding

The GA offers PhD students and postdocs of TU Dresden attractive funding opportunities:

PhD Funding

- Long-term Scholarships:
 - Saxon Scholarship Program
 - Maria Reiche Doctoral Fellowships for the Promotion of PhD projects of Early-Career Female Scientists of TU Dresden (without Faculty of Medicine)
- Short-term Scholarships:
 - Back-to-Research Grants
 - Grants for the Completion and Wrap-up Phase of the Doctorate
- Proofreading Service

Postdoc Funding

- Long-term Scholarships:
 - Maria Reiche Postdoctoral Fellowships for the Promotion of Early-Career Female Scientists of TU Dresden
- Short-term Scholarships:
 - Back-to-Research Grants
- Postdoc Starter Kit

Mobility and Networks

- Travel Grants for Short-term Research Stays and Summer/Winter Schools Abroad
- Travel Awards for Conferences, Congresses, Symposia and Workshops
- Lab2Lab

We offer twice a year an information event on the funding opportunities of the GA and TU Dresden. For more information please visit our homepage.

Advice and Coaching

The team of the GA gladly provides advice on the following topics:

- **Individual advice** and information before, during and after the PhD
- **Binationale doctorates** (Cotutelles)
- **Funding opportunities**: Where do I find funding?
- **Career coaching & application training**: What comes after my doctorate? How can I prepare for the job application process?
- **Writing Advisory Service**: How can I improve my writing?
- **Individual coaching** (up to 5 sessions): How can I face professional change processes and develop individual solutions?
- **Conflict coaching & Mediation**: Where do I find support in situations of crises and conflicts?

You reach us by arranging an appointment via the online contact form. Counseling sessions can take place either in person at GA or online.

