

Further Services for Doctoral Candidates

In addition to political representation, the University of Freiburg offers a number of services for doctoral candidates:

1. The **Graduate Center (GraCe, formerly IGA)** offers a wide variety of **courses and counseling formats** as well as **travel grants** for both registered and matriculated doctoral students: https://www.frs.uni-freiburg.de/en/iga-en?set_language=en
The GraCe also provides comprehensive information on registration and enrollment. We therefore recommend registering for the **GraCe-newsletter**: https://www.frs.uni-freiburg.de/en/iga-en/nachrichten/newsletter?set_language=en
2. The initiative **ProDoc** promotes the **networking** of doctoral students as well as **social and cultural exchange**. Meetings and various events are held regularly: <https://www.facebook.com/prodoc.freiburg/>
3. The **Graduate School Humanities** offers workspaces, working groups, and regular events targeted to doctoral students in the humanities and social sciences: https://www.humanities.uni-freiburg.de/front-page-en?set_language=en
4. Every institute has a **PhD consultant** who can help you with all aspects concerning your PhD. You can find a list on the PhiloDocs-website.

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PhiloDocs' General Assembly

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We regularly send out a **newsletter**, to which you can subscribe via MyAccount:

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As the representatives of the PhiloDocs' General Assembly, we are also a member of the **Joint Working Committee of the Doctoral Candidate Councils (GAA)**.

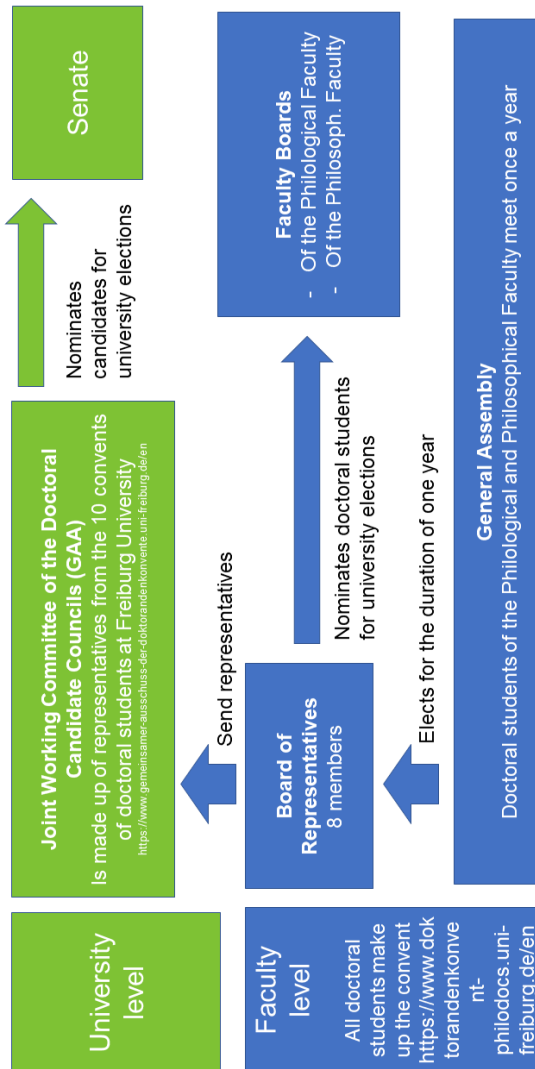
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The Doctoral Representatives of the
Faculties of Philology and
Philosophy of the
University of Freiburg



The Representatives of doctoral students at the University of Freiburg – here *PhiloDocs* (Philological and Philosophical Faculty)



The Doctoral Representatives

As the primary political representation of doctoral candidates, the board of representatives advocates for the interests and concerns of doctoral students at various levels. The most important bodies are the examination office's PhD Committee, the Faculty Councils and the Senate. There is also regular dialog with members of the Rectorate.

The Joint Working Committee of the Doctoral Candidate Councils (GAA)

The GAA is the central interest group for doctoral students at the university level.

The tasks of the GAA include:

- **Advice** on matters that concern doctoral students across faculties
- Making **recommendations** to the university's governing body
- Drawing up **statements** on drafts of doctoral regulations and forwarding them to the Senate
- **Participation in Senate meetings** on topics that concern doctoral students across faculties
- **Representation and networking** of Freiburg doctoral students in interregional discussions, e.g. with the Minister of Science, Research, and Arts

Each general assembly sends at least one representative to the GAA. General assemblies comprised of several faculties send one representative per faculty.

The PhiloDocs' General Assembly

The PhiloDocs' General Assembly is a political body comprised of all doctoral candidates accepted for doctoral studies at the Faculty of Philology and the Faculty of Philosophy (Humanities and social sciences) at the University of Freiburg. Any questions, wishes, or needs concerning your doctoral studies can be brought to the general assembly. Every year, the general assembly elects a board to represent doctoral candidates' interests both within and outside the university. The representatives develop statements on issues affecting doctoral students and make recommendations on their behalf. Additional objectives are to connect doctoral candidates and provide advice on matters related to obtaining a PhD.

The board is in regular contact with the representatives of both **Faculty Councils**. The representatives are therefore not only informed about all important processes in the faculties but can also advocate for the interests of doctoral candidates in relevant discussions. Additionally, the board represents your interests in the examination office's joint **PhD Committee** of the two faculties, where the acceptance of doctoral candidates and possible problems are discussed.

The representatives can, for example, support you regarding the following topics and concerns:

- Changing supervisors
- Problems with the examination office
- Difficulties in the supervision situation
- University-internal political matters
- Questions on financing a PhD

You can participate in the general assembly any time, even outside of the annual election!