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**PhD students in the Humanities at SDU**

**- right in the centre of attention in a complex organisation:**

**The doctoral school**

... comprises students, supervisors, programmes, administration and the head of school

**Also:**

Course Council: The head of School and the heads of the doctoral programmes

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**Who does what?**

**The PhD Student:**

* is *employed* by (or contractually related to) the department
* is at the same time *enrolled* as a student *at* the Doctoral School *in* a doctoral programme (FUP)
* must submit a PhD plan
* must attend courses totalling 30 ECTS
* must gain experience in teaching activities or other forms of knowledge dissemination
* must join one or more other (usually foreign) research institutions for three to six months
* is regularly assessed
* must write a dissertation (in the form of a monograph or an anthology)

**The supervisor:**

* is responsible to the Doctoral School for the student fulfilling all study requirements
* offers project-specific supervision and general academic advice
* assists the student in the preparation of the PhD plan and submits it for approval by the PhD Board when completed by the student and signed by the Head of Department
* submits detailed progress reports to the PhD administration in connection with the stipulated progress assessments
* is actively involved in the student's choice of coursework and change of research environment
* is actively involved in determining the nature of the student’s teaching/knowledge dissemination tasks (to be approved by the Head of Department)
* recommends for the approval by the Head of Department the student's use of allocated funds (e.g. travel money)
* submits a detailed final statement about the student's overall progression, including his or her fulfilment of the PhD plan, to be included in the assessment of the dissertation
* assists without voting rights the committee appointed to assess the dissertation

**The Head of the Doctoral School:**

* is usually also elected chairman of the PhD Board
* enrols new PhD students on the recommendation of the PhD Board
* appoints supervisors on the recommendation of the Head of Department
* appoints Heads of Doctoral Programmes on the recommendation of the relevant Head(s) of Department
* assesses student progress (after the 2nd, 4th and 5th semester) and in that connection conducts interviews with the students assessed
* is available to students and supervisors for 'off-the-record' trouble shooting
* is chairman of the Course Council
* is responsible for evaluating all school activities
* submits to approval by the Dean recommendations on any actions to be taken subsequent to general evaluations of school activities
* is responsible for the economy of the Doctoral School, including the running of courses in the doctoral programmes
* is responsible for the Doctoral School offering 'generic' courses (as a supplement to the courses offered within the framework of the doctoral programmes)
* represents the Doctoral School in national and international contexts

**The PhD Board:**

* (the VIP group) submits for approval by the Head of the Doctoral School recommendations regarding enrolment of new PhD students
* approves PhD plans (and revisions of / addenda to PhD plans)
* evaluates and approves the content and the ECTS rating of all coursework
* recommends to the Dean’s approval a competent assessment committee suggested by the Head of Department for the evaluation of the dissertation
* deals with all applications for dispensation

**The Head of Department:**

* advertises PhD scholarships/positions
* recommends enrolment and consults the permanent staff members of the PhD Board and the Head of the Doctoral School on whether qualified applicants/candidates are eligible for enrolment in the Doctoral School
* employs the candidate selected as a member of staff
* holds employer responsibilities
* conducts regular employee interviews
* nominates PhD supervisors for approval by the Head of the Doctoral School
* co-signs the PhD plan (and later addenda) before submission to the PhD Board
* assigns teaching and knowledge dissemination tasks to the PhD student
* signs the evaluation forms filled in by the PhD student in connection with progress assessment
* submits to the PhD Board a recommendation on the composition of committees for assessing dissertations
* approves PhD student expenses on the recommendation of the supervisor
* is responsible for organising the oral defence

**The Head of the Doctoral Programme:**

* receives new PhD students as members of his/her programme and secures their optimal integration in relevant research environments and research teams
* is responsible for offering relevant courses and launch research activities within the framework of their specific programme
* is a member of the Course Council
* cooperates with related Doctoral Programmes at other universities

**Who’s who in the Doctoral School?**

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*Language and Communication*

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**The Course Council** consists of the head of the doctoral school and the heads of the doctoral programmes

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