

Graduate School Life Science Engineering



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Guideline for GS LSE members

Being a member of the Graduate School Life Science Engineering offers your great opportunity to improve your scientific knowledge and drive your academic career. Here are some guidelines at a glance:

1. Supervision Agreement

Each PhD student in the GS LSE must have three supervisors for the personal thesis advisory committee (TAC). Your direct supervisor and two additional supervisors from different disciplines of which one may be from outside TU Darmstadt. Discuss with your supervisor about potential candidates, fill out the Supervision Agreement and let it sign by all TAC members. Send the final document back to the Managing Director of the GS LSE.

2. Extracurricular trainings and workshops

Each student has to participate in at least one training, seminar or workshop offered by the in-house umbrella organization Ingenium or organized exclusively for the GS LSE by the managing director once per year. Proof of participations or certificates have to be uploaded on the GS LSE website for documentation.

3. Mobility allowance

The GS LSE offers financial support for a research stay of up to three months, which every student should take advantage of if possible. Discuss with your direct supervisor which research labs might fit and the managing director supports you with reimbursement of travel and accommodation costs.

4. Annual Retreat

Participation in the annual retreat is highly recommended as it provides a great opportunity to present your recent data, network with colleagues from different disciplines, and find new partners for interdisciplinary projects. Additionally, you can benefit from talks and lectures by external speakers and PIs associated with the GS LSE.

5. Laboratory rotation

Being part of this interdisciplinary team provides the possibility to set up new collaboration, visit different labs at the TU Darmstadt to learn new techniques.

6. LSE Seminars

The monthly LSE seminars organized by the PhD committee take place on Wednesdays at 5 p.m. once a month. The students may either present their own project, invite external speaker or organize an excursion i.g. to a company. The LSE seminar is mandatory for each PhD student.