



# Ph.D. related issues

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## Working environment questionnaire: Ph.D. students

- Most are happy with their main supervisor
- Co-supervisor could play a bigger role
- Many find it hard to find balance between work and private life
- Many feel that their working load is too high
- Unclear expectations and goals

## Expectations (theme for a discussion group)

Both the Ph.D. student and the supervisors fill in a form with statements like

It is the supervisor's responsibility to select a research topic.	1	2	3	4	5	The Ph.D. student is responsible for selecting a topic.
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The supervisor should assist in the writing of the thesis if necessary.	1	2	3	4	5	The Ph.D. student should write the thesis alone.
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## Some news

- Joint Ph.D. degree between GU/science faculty and Chalmers. Decision to move on made at Chalmers but not at GU.
- Ph.D. students have to register to exams of Master's courses

## Ph.D. student's 50% salary increase: Chalmers

1. Ph.D. students who started before 2017-05-01: after having presented a mid-term or licentiate seminar
2. Ph.D. students who started after 2017-05-01: If mid-term/licentiate seminar done at the latest after 2.5 years, as 1. If the Ph.D. student has not finished by that time, half of the increase after 2.5 years and the other half after mid-term/licentiate seminar.

## Ph.D. students' 50% salary increase: GU

- Always based on performance.
- In practise, if the Ph.D. student has accomplished as he/she should have and follows the study plan, he/she will get the salary increase after half of the study time has gone. A slower progress should be noted in the study plan.

## Ph.D. student's 80% salary increase

- At both GU and Chalmers, 80% increase when 80% of studies have been finished.
- The Ph.D. student and his/her main supervisor should think about this in the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> year.

## Ph.D. committee (forskarutbildningskommitté)

- Deputy head (proprefekt), chair (Aila Särkkä)
- Directors of Ph.D. studies (Marija Cvijovic, Peter Hegarty, and Johan Tykesson,)
- Deputy division heads (Stig Larsson, Håkan Samuelsson Kalm, Lyudmila Turowska)
- Ph.D. students (Olof Elias, Linnea Hietala, Henrik Imberg)
- Ph.D. study administrator (Marie Kühn)



## Information on Ph.D. studies

- <http://www.chalmers.se/en/departments/math/research/postgraduate-studies/Pages/default.aspx>
- <http://www.chalmers.se/insidan/sites/math/forskarnutbildning>

# How to register to exams of Master's courses

- Chalmers Ph.D. students: Register via a link at **doktorandportalen**. If it does not work, contact **studentcentrum**. You should NOT register to the course, only to the exam.
- GU Ph.D. students: Register at **expeditionen** if the course is a GU course or a joint GU/Chalmers course. Contact “studentcentrum”, if the course is a pure Chalmers course.
- External Ph.D. students: Ask them to contact “studentcentrum” and to have a certificate indicating that they are Ph.D. students at some other university.