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PAG – PhD Programme in Agricultural Science

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Overview

Degree	PhD, Dr sc agr, Dr rer nat (doctoral studies with a focus on natural sciences), or Dr rer pol (doctoral studies with a focus on economic sciences)
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">English
Languages	Courses are usually held in English. The dissertation is written in English.
Mode of study	Less than 50% online
Programme duration	6 semesters
Beginning	Only for doctoral programmes: any time
Application deadline	No application deadline
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<p>The PhD Programme in Agricultural Science (PAG) is designed to provide PhD candidates with specialised professional training in one of the following eight majors: Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Agronomy, Animal Production, Management of Natural Resources, Agribusiness, Tropical and International Agriculture, Global Agri-Food Systems, and Animal Welfare.</p> <p>The PhD programme emphasises independent research on the part of the participants. The graduate programme includes lectures, tutorials, seminars, and methods courses. In addition, PAG provides training in oral and written communication skills, including scientific writing and publishing, elective courses, and participation in international conferences or workshops. PAG also emphasises soft skills such as teamwork, problem-solving and moderation techniques. The study adviser provides any necessary assistance with regard to courses and logistic matters.</p> <p>At the end of the PhD programme, a doctoral dissertation can be submitted either in a traditional format or as a collection of scientific publications: the latter must have been published in internationally recognised journals and must be supplemented with a general introduction and a discussion of the overall results.</p> <p>The degree PhD or, alternatively, Dr sc agr, Dr rer nat, or Dr rer pol will be awarded after the successful defence of the doctoral dissertation and its subsequent publication.</p>

Course Details

Course organisation	<p>The programme is mainly modular and includes participation in various types of modules and courses, writing of the dissertation and the disputation. The regular study time is six semesters. In addition to the dissertation and disputation, PhD students must successfully complete at least 24 credits (ECTS) through modules in the colloquia, methodology, expert knowledge and key competencies sections. Details regarding the modules that are offered and specific regulations can be found in the catalogue of courses.</p> <p>http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/670315.html</p> <p>Modules can be composed of various forms of teaching: lectures, seminars, exercises, practicals, colloquia as well as project work or combinations of these various forms.</p> <p>In addition, other courses of a more in-depth character may be offered. Attendance at the latter type of courses is voluntary.</p> <p>Support can be given by the Graduate School of Forest and Agricultural Sciences concerning travel arrangements, translation, and methodological aspects of the PhD work.</p>
A Diploma supplement will be issued	Yes
International elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Projects with partners in Germany and abroad
Description of other international elements	It depends on the dissertation and the countries with which the PhD student collaborates. During the PhD programme, many students present their studies at international conferences.
Integrated internships	None
Course-specific, integrated German language courses	No
Course-specific, integrated English language courses	No

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Semester contribution	<p>Fees are around 400 EUR per semester. The fees include a prepaid semester ticket that entitles students to use regional trains and city buses in Germany free of charge.</p> <p>Fees: http://www.uni-goettingen.de/fee Semester ticket: http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/16432.html</p>
Costs of living	<p>The average cost of living in Göttingen is modest compared to other major university cities in Germany. Currently, expenses for accommodation, food, health insurance and books are about 850 EUR per month. Please note that fees for health insurance may vary according to age.</p> <p>Students of the University of Göttingen receive discounts for cultural events. Meals and drinks are</p>

also available at reduced prices at all university canteens.

For further information, please see the following link: www.uni-goettingen.de/en/54664.html.

Funding opportunities within the university	No
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Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements	Academic admission requirements include an outstanding Master of Science (MSc) degree or its equivalent in agriculture, biology, geography, or related fields. To apply, students need to find a professor at the University of Göttingen who is willing to supervise their research. Applications are processed through the online application portal. http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/application-and-enrolment/532016.html
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Language requirements	Applicants whose native language is not English are asked to submit proof of proficiency in English (e.g. TOEFL: iBT at least 81 points; IELTS: band 6; or Cambridge English Scale: min. 160 points). Proven higher education in English or a reasonably long stay in an English-speaking country may also be accepted.
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Application deadline	No application deadline
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Submit application to	Please see our website for questions regarding the application process: http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/application+and+enrolment/532016.html
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Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment	The university supports students in finding part-time jobs in local industries and businesses. A number of student jobs are also available at the university. They are announced on the following website: https://www.stellenwerk.de/en/goettingen/ .
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Please note that restrictions may apply with your scholarship or visa. Some proficiency in German may be indispensable to find a job. Non-EU students are permitted to work an equivalent of a maximum of 120 full days (240 half days) per year.

Accommodation	The Accommodation Service of the International Office supports international students who are enrolled at the University of Göttingen in finding accommodation and serves as a point of contact for related queries. The Accommodation Service also publishes suitable offers from private landlords in Göttingen and collaborates with the Student Services ("Studentenwerk"). As the amount of accommodations in Göttingen is limited, it is highly recommended to check the following website well in advance: https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/636264.html .
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Please note: For doctoral students, accommodation services are limited to those with low income.

Structured research and supervision	Yes
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Research training /	Yes
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Career advisory service

Especially for international students aiming for a career entry in Germany, the [Career Service](#) provides workshops, online learning modules, and a qualification programme as well as digital career tools and a virtual community for international employment opportunities.

For international students and prospective graduates, the [“Start Guides”](#) project also offers assistance in developing and realising individual career perspectives in Germany.

If you have a promising business idea or are interested in the topic of founding a company, [start-up support](#) is offered! The University of Göttingen accompanies you on your way to self-employment and supports you with advice, funding, qualification formats and network contacts.

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Buddy programme
- Tutors
- Specialist counselling

General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates

[International Office](#)

German students help newly arrived students to adapt to the university and the city during their [first weeks](#). There is also an [orientation week](#) for new international students, which provides valuable information about Göttingen and the university.

[Study Buddy Programme](#) as a part of the Integration and Diversity project at Göttingen University (InDiGU)

[Foyer International](#): Cultural evenings and more for all students

[German courses](#) during studies (free of charge)

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