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Information for PhD students

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All Utrecht Master's and PhD programmes that focus on humans, animals, plants, micro-organisms, the molecules of life, and the study of health and disease, are organised by the Graduate School of Life Sciences (GS-LS) of Utrecht University.

This Graduate School combines the training and education of students at the Master's and PhD levels, thus integrating theory and practice at both levels, ensuring overall quality control and consistency.

The programmes within the Graduate School of Life Sciences combine the expertise and education facilities of the Faculty of Science with the clinical research and education of the University Medical Center Utrecht and the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine. This combination is unique in the Netherlands and has gained a strong international reputation in biomedical and life sciences research.

Currently, in addition to 12 research Master's programmes, the GS-LS provides 14 PhD programmes (See table).

The PhD track

During a PhD track, PhD students conduct a research project, resulting in a PhD thesis and a series of articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals. PhD students are supervised by a professor ('promotor') and a daily supervisor ('copromotor'). Furthermore, PhD students receive training in thematic research areas and professional development at the GS-LS. The broad variety of general courses, thematic courses, external courses and other activities offered results in highly qualified and well-trained PhDs.

Registration

As of January 1st 2007 all PhD students of the UMC Utrecht and of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine as well as the Life Sciences PhD students of the Faculty of Science are required to register in the GS-LS.

To register you need to fill out a Training and Supervision Agreement (TSA) and have it approved by the proper authorities. In addition, you need to apply for admission to the doctoral studies at Utrecht University. 'Form 1: Request for Exemption and Admission to Doctoral Studies' is part of the TSA and should be added as an annex to the TSA.

The TSA and Form 1 can be downloaded from the School website (www.uu.nl/graduateschools/lifesciences) and has to be completed within 3 months after starting your PhD.

PhD programme	Director	Coordinator	Contact	Organiser
Biomembranes	Prof. G.F.B.P. van Meer, PhD	J.J.P.A. de Cock, PhD	h.decock@uu.nl	Science
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PhD Council

The PhD Council promotes the interests of PhD students working in the GS-LS. It consists of PhD student representatives from each PhD programme. As a spokesperson of PhD students the PhD Council is represented in the Board of Studies of the GS-LS. Contact: phd-council-ugsls@googlegroups.com

Information

For more details, please check the School website www.uu.nl/graduateschools/lifesciences

For programme-specific information (e.g. admission to the programme, TSA, courses) please contact the programme coordinator.

For information on general courses please contact the faculty of affiliation:

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