The General Postgraduate Program: Courses 2019/2

B 1-2 Applied Project Management:
Getting a Grip on Your PhD-Project (2 CP)
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Course description
Successfully managing a PhD-project is a demanding task that involves more skills than “just” writing or carrying out experiments. It is a project in the sense that it often involves several stakeholders (e.g. fellow PhD-students, professors, technicians), it has a beginning and an end, and the outcome is a unique product. It therefore demands the application of basic project management methods. These methods are not only key to successfully managing research projects but also vital to any other complex project. In this course participants will get familiar with basic methods of project management. They will solidify the learned methods by applying them to their own PhD-projects. Hence, this course will help participants to get a grip on their PhD-project.

Target Audience, Number of Participants
Doctoral Candidates of JGU Mainz with a good command of English. The course is recommended for doctorates in an early phase of their doctorate.
Maximum number of participants: 16 persons

Date, Time, and Venue
Part 1: Monday, August 26th and Part 2: Tuesday, August 27th, 2019, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at SB II, room 05-432, Colonel-Kleinmann-Weg 2 (Campus)

Topics
In order to prioritize and adapt the contents to the specific needs of the participants, they will be contacted via email preceding the course. The following list may thus be modified:
- project criteria and project phases
- statement of work
- identifying and communicating with stakeholders
- work breakdown structure (summary tasks and work-packages)
- network diagram (critical path)
- case studies from within the group
- monitoring and evaluation

Course Objectives
Participants
- know project management methods;
- know about typical challenges they might face;
- apply the methods learned to their respective PhD-projects.

Application Details
To apply please use OpenOLAT.
In order to be able to apply for the courses doctoral candidates need to be registered with the GPP.

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