



## Basic facts

- Established in addition to the existing doctoral programme in Social Sciences
- For doctoral candidates at all stages of their studies
- Voluntary membership for supervisors and doctoral candidates

## Main objectives

- Attracting ambitious and highly qualified doctoral candidates in the social sciences
- Increasing the exchange of experiences among doctoral candidates and supervisors within and across departments
- Enhancing the doctoral candidates' international experiences
- Improving completion rates

## Membership and requirements

Supervisors	Doctoral candidates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Working in the social sciences</li><li>• Employed with the University of Vienna (subject to an employment contract of 50 % or more)</li><li>• Consent to the <a href="#">Code of Good Practice for Doctoral Schools</a></li><li>• Participation in the activities organised by the Doctoral School</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enrolled in the doctoral programme in Social Sciences</li><li>• At least one supervisor who is a member of the ViDSS</li><li>• Consent to the <a href="#">Code of Good Practice for Doctoral Schools</a></li><li>• <b>Temporary membership for 9 months</b>, after which doctoral candidates should complete the public presentation at the Faculty (FÖP); an extension is possible to a maximum of 12 months</li><li>• Regular submission of progress reports</li><li>• Participation in the activities organised by the ViDSS<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Regular participation in a PhD Club</li><li>○ Participation in a workshop, ViDSS Brownbag Session or other activities at least once a year</li><li>○ Presentation of the doctoral thesis project in the form of a departmental or faculty-wide lecture or at an international conference at least once during the first three years of doctoral studies</li></ul></li></ul>