

NEWSLETTER FOR DOCTORAL CANDIDATES AND POSTDOCS

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Dear doctoral candidates and postdocs,

With the new semester kicking off, we're getting started together again! Over the next few months, you can look forward to a wide range of offers to support you in your research, writing, teaching, and career development – and, of course, plenty of opportunities to connect with other doctoral researchers.

We're especially excited to introduce a brand-new format: the **peer coaching group “Running the PhD Marathon” for advanced PhD candidates**. Together with other early-career researchers, you'll reflect on your PhD journey, discuss challenges, and keep each other motivated to move forward at your own pace. The focus is on exchange, peer support, and practical input for a successful (and healthy!) PhD experience. The exact meeting times will be arranged based on the group's needs. If you're interested, just drop us a line at earlycareer@upb.de, and we'll find the right peer-coaching group for you!

If you're just starting your PhD, the peer coaching **“Starting Your PhD” is coming to Fürstenallee** this winter semester! The programme brings together PhD candidates at the beginning of their doctorate in three or four sessions over the course of one semester. In each session, one or two participants present a current challenge or question that the group can help with. We share experiences, give advice and try to develop possible solutions together. This is a great opportunity to bond with other doctoral candidates. You will see: **Whatever your challenge is, you are not alone!** (If you prefer to attend the peer coaching on campus, a new group will start in December. Just send us an email at earlycareer@upb.de if you're interested in joining! 😊)

There are also exciting **interdisciplinary courses and events** for you this month. Check out the **programme!**

All the best from the Jenny Aloni Centre for Early Career Researchers,
Alexandra & Henriette

CURRENT COURSES & EVENTS

| Date | Title |
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| 30.10.2025 | <u>Research Data Management - Overview of Research Data Management Topics</u> |
| 03.11.2025 | <u>Teaching and Learning: Basics (for International Lecturers)</u> |
| 04.11.2025 | <u>PhD Lunch: Reloaded</u> |
| 10.11.2025 | <u>Postdoc Lunch: Establishing and Maintaining Academic Collaborations</u> |
| 10.11.2025 | <u>Examining and Assessing: Basics (for International Lecturers)</u> |
| 10.11.2025 | <u>AI in Higher Education: Integrating AI into Teaching</u> |
| 10.11.2025 | <u>Good Research Practice</u> |
| 11.11.2025 | <u>Peer Coaching "Starting your PhD" @ Fürstenallee</u> |
| 13.11.2025 | <u>International Coffee Break</u> |
| 14.11.2025 | <u>Writing Room for Doctoral Candidates in the University Library</u> |

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| 17.11.2025 | <u>Providing Feedback: Basics (for International Lecturers)</u> |
| 24.11.2025 | <u>AI in Higher Education: Dealing with AI in Exams</u> |
| 24.11.2025 | <u>Guiding Students: Basics (for International Lecturers)</u> |
| 25.11.2025 | <u>PhD Kickstart for International Doctoral Candidates</u> |
| 27.11.2025 | <u>Research Data Management - Data Management Plans</u> |
| 11.12.2025 | <u>Research Data Management - Data Organization</u> |
| 15.01.2026 | <u>Research Data Management - Archiving and Publishing Research Data</u> |
| 05.02.2026 | <u>Research Data Management - Electronic Lab Notebooks, eLabFTW</u> |
| 13.04.2026 | <u>Academic Careers in Germany</u> |
| 17.06.2026 | <u>How to get into Germany's non-academic job market!</u> |

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CURRENT CALLS

| Deadline | Call | Target group(s) |
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| 15.11.2025 | <p><u>BMBF Junior Research Group: BattFutur</u></p> <p>'BattFutur' is aimed at early career researchers who want to establish their own independent junior research group to address material, process and recycling-related issues concerning rechargeable electrochemical energy storage devices (secondary batteries) with a focus on electric mobility, stationary systems and other industry-relevant applications. If you are interested in submitting an application, the <u>Research Department</u> will be happy to advise you</p> | Postdocs |
| 31.01.2025 | <p><u>BMBF Junior Research Group: QuantumFutur</u></p> <p>As part of the Quantum Futur competition for young scientists, outstanding young researchers are supported in establishing their own independent research groups that focus on new interdisciplinary research approaches in second-generation quantum technologies. The competition covers all areas of second-generation quantum technologies and related fields. These include quantum computing, quantum simulation, quantum informatics, quantum sensor technology and metrology, quantum communication, and supporting technologies. If you are interested in submitting an application, the <u>Research Department</u> will be happy to advise you.</p> <p>→ Further calls can be found in the <u>FIT newsletter</u>.</p> | Postdocs |

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