

Invitation to participate in the Doctoral supervision training course of 2026

You are hereby invited to register for the Doctoral supervision training course of 2026. Responsible for the course are Jonas Harvard, professor in media- and communication science, and Katja Gillander Gådin, professor in public health. In 2026 the course is given in English, in 2027 it will be given in Swedish. The number of places is limited, if the number of applicants exceeds available seats, prioritization will be made based on the faculties' guidelines. The final day for applications is 20 January, and admission decisions will be communicated by 10 February.

Purpose

The course aims to provide participants with knowledge and skills in supervising doctoral students. Participants will learn about the laws and regulations governing doctoral education and supervision, and how to manage different educational phases and challenges throughout the research supervision process.

Course Structure

The course is divided into five themes. **Theme 1:** The first theme deals with the context of postgraduate education, its organization and conditions. **Theme 2:** The second theme concerns ethics in research and ethics in supervision situations. **Theme 3:** The third theme concerns equal opportunities, gender and power relations in postgraduate education. **Theme 4:** The fourth theme concerns distance supervision of doctoral students. **Theme 5:** The fifth theme deals with relationships and conversation methodology in the supervisor situation. **Note:** The teaching sessions are mandatory, as group discussions and the exchange of experiences are an important part of the course.

Schedule

25 March, 09.00–12.00

Place: Zoom meeting. Subjects of the session: Theme 1: the context of postgraduate education, its organization and conditions. Theme 2: ethics in research and ethics in supervision situations, Themes 4 & 5: The participants own experiences of PhD supervision.

Between 25 March and May 21

Working with group assignment on Theme 2 (ethics) in study groups.

21 May, 09:30-17:00

Place: Torpshammars herrgård (between train arrivals and departures)
Subjects of the session: Workshop: facing concrete challenges, Theme 5, relations and conversation methodology.

9 September, 09.00–12.00

Place: Zoom meeting. Subjects of the session: Theme 3, equal opportunities in PhD supervision, Theme 4, distance supervision and the means of communication.

Examining seminars (you participate in one of the sessions)

15 October: Place: Campus Östersund, 09:30-17:00

16 October: Place: Campus Sundsvall, 09:30-17:00