

PhD Student Council at

The Veterinary Medicine Association (VMF)

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Representation of PhD students at SLU

SLU has a council for PhD students in each faculty

ULS PhD Council

NJ, Faculty of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences

ca. 125 doctoral & licentiate students

VMF PhD Council

VH, Faculty of Veterinary
Medicine and Animal Science

SHS PhD Council

S, Faculty of Forest Sciences

ASK PhD Council

LTV, Faculty of Landscape
Architecture, Horticulture and Crop
Science Production

SLUSS PhD Council

SLU level

1 representative from each faculty

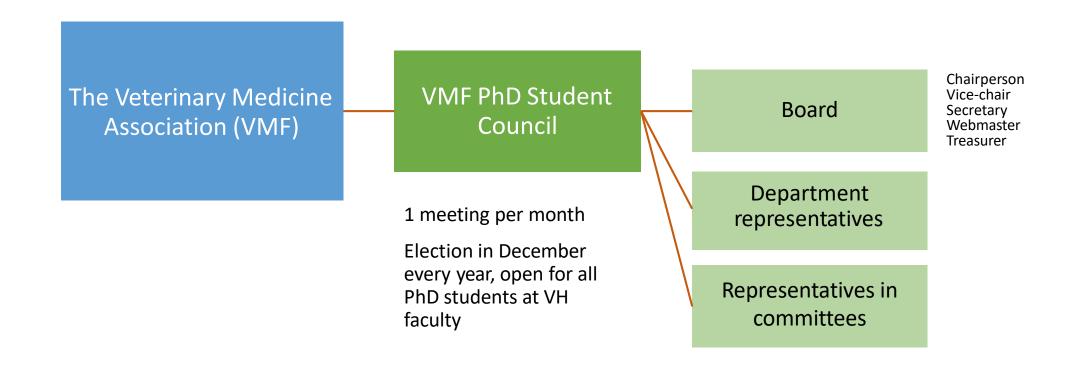
+ university level boards/committees

Organisation of The PhD Councils

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VMF PhD Council is a committee of The Veterinary Medicine Association (vmf.se)

- PhD students at VH faculty are automatically members of VMF PhD Council
- Membership of The Veterinary Medicine Association not required but gives benefits



What the PhD Councils do

- All PhD students are invited to the meetings!
- Questions concerning PhD education at faculty and university level(via representatives in boards/committees)
- Information flow to, from and between departments(via department representatives)
- Keep PhD students updated
- Bring concerns to the right board/committee
- Exchange about concerns/ideas/solutions at departments
- Feedback on proposals made by boards/committee's/SLU(via department representatives or faculty-wide surveys)
- Contact with student unions
- Social activities

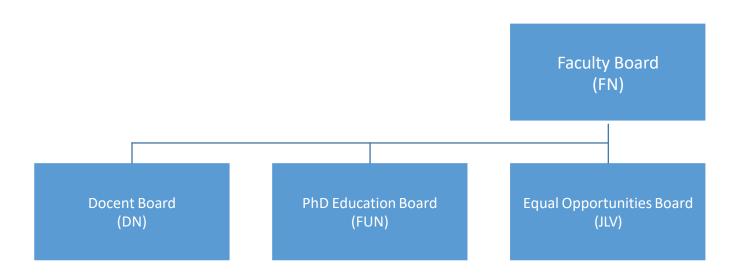
What the PhD Councils do

Quality of PhD education

Working situation

Wellbeing of PhD students

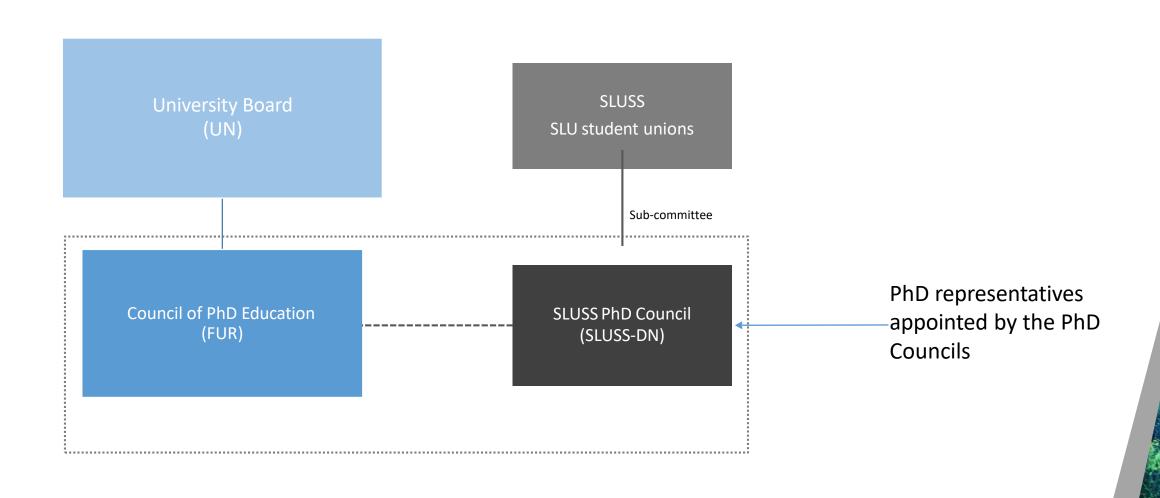
Representation at faculty level



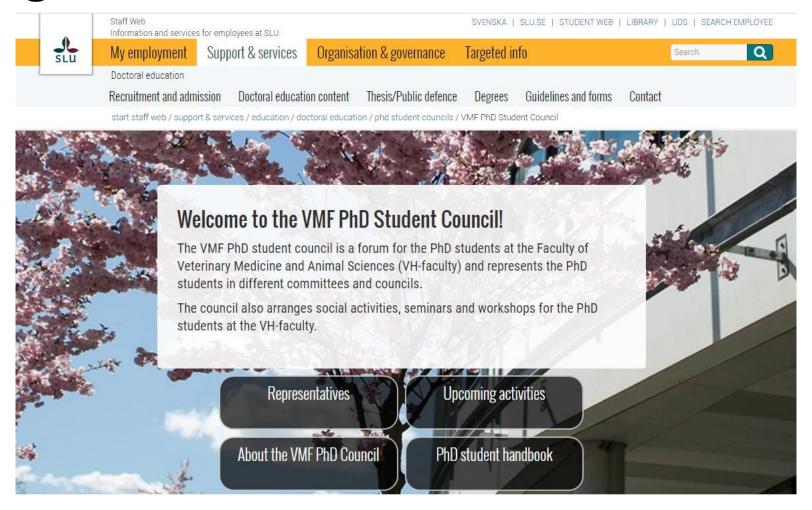
Graduate School for Veterinary Medicine and Animal Sciences (GS-VMAS)

Only VMF

Representation at university level



Web page



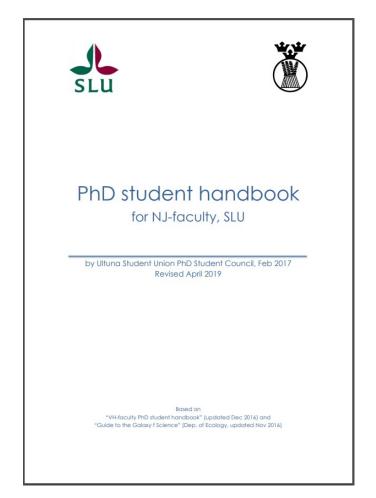
https://internt.slu.se/en/support-services/education/doctoral-education1/phd-student-councils/vmf-phd-council/

Handbook for PhD students

- Things you need to know when starting a PhD (ISP, courses, follow ups etc.)
- Who to contact about what
- Useful information when new in Sweden/ Uppsala
- Housing

Anything missing? You are welcome to suggest additions!

There is also a country wide handbook available at: https://phdhandbook.se/



https://internt.slu.se/globalassets/mw/utb/forskarutbildningdo cent/checklistor-ochvagledningar/vh phd student handbook 201703062.pdf

Why should you get engaged?

- Opportunity to influence PhD education at SLU
- Insight into the organisation of the university
- Establish contacts across departments and at university level
- Student council work is compensated with prolongation days





Announcements from VMF

- We are looking for new board members and representatives!
- Election at the annual meeting in December
- A list of available positions will be e-mailed to all PhD students through the "doktorand-vh" e-mail list





Announcements from VMF

- This afternoon at 15:00 we have our monthly meeting.
- You can either join by zoom or in the "portrait room"
- All information are in the email I sent, if you did not received it contact me

Thank you for your attention

Questions?

Contact: renaud.van.damme@slu.se

