UTU & ÅAU Mentoring Programme for Early Stage Researchers

Part 1. Peer Mentoring

Thursday, April 5th at 12:15-15:45
Place: Auditorium Armfelt, Arken (Tehtaankatu 2, Turku)

Target group: All doctoral candidates and postdoctoral researchers of University of Turku and Åbo Akademi University

In spring 2018 the University of Turku and Åbo Akademi University launch a Mentoring Programme targeted at doctoral candidates and postdoctoral researchers. The first part of the Mentoring Programme is carried out in spring 2018. This part is focused on Peer Mentoring. The opening seminar of Peer Mentoring is on April 5th and the closing seminar and information about the second part of the Mentoring Programme will be on May 31st. In the meantime, participants are expected to meet with their peer mentoring group.

In the opening seminar, the objective of the workshop on peer mentoring is to grow peer mentoring skills: to introduce to principles of peer mentoring and to provide tools. The workshop is a practical hands-on workshop and includes introductions, exercises and discussions. Prior mentoring experience is not required.

The purpose of the Mentoring Programme, in general, is to support doctoral candidates in their doctoral studies and to prepare them for the life after PhD dissertation. The other target group of the Mentoring Programme are postdocs. The mentoring is focused on how to recognize the challenges in doctoral studies/postdoctoral research stage, planning the career development, supporting professional development, recognizing and strengthening one’s professional skills and expertise. The participants are expected to commit to the peer mentoring programme and to be willing to share information about their situation and thoughts in a small group setting.


NB: the number of participants is limited to 100 persons
PROGRAMME

12:15 – 12:30 Welcoming words and introduction: Director Pirjo Nuutila, University of Turku Graduate School (tbc) & Head of Research Services Pia-Maria Kallio, ÅA

12:30 – 13:00 On mentoring programmes for early stage researchers: Well-Being Coordinator Johanna Mäkinen, Study and Work Well-Being Services, University of Turku

13:00 – 14:00 Workshop on peer mentoring (1st part) – Principles of peer mentoring: (N.N.)

14:00 – 14:30 Coffee & snacks “take away”: Find your peer mentor group

14:30 – 15:45 Workshop on peer mentoring (2nd part) – Practical tools to start peer mentoring: (N.N.)

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