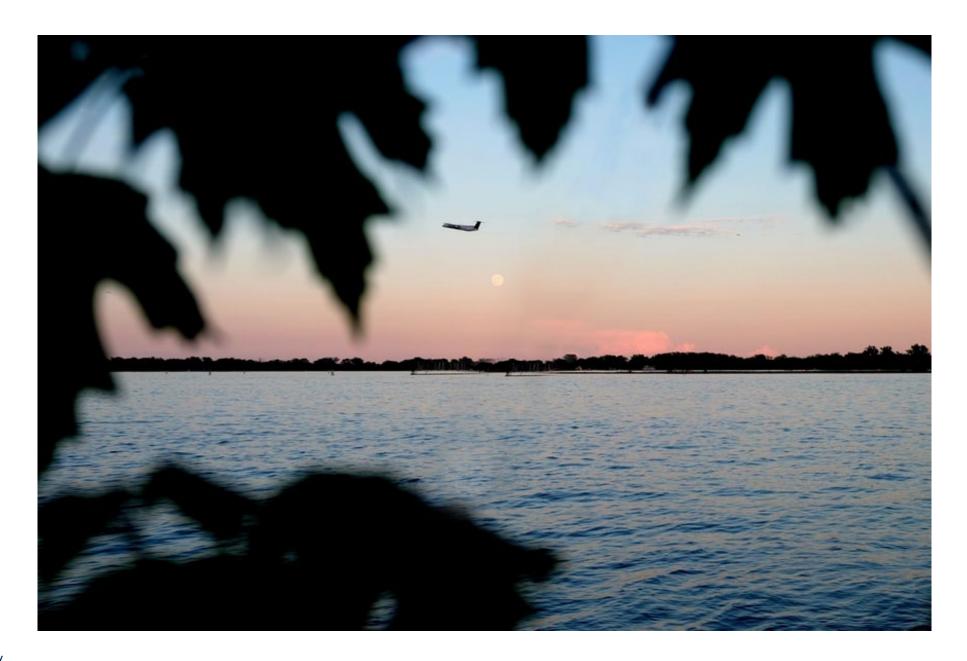


Broaden your horizon with a joint PhD





1. Plan your destination

2. Pack your suitcase

3. Start your journey





Plan your destination

- 1. What is a Joint PhD?
- 2. What does a Joint PhD involve?
- 3. When to start a Joint PhD?



1. What is a joint PhD?

- Research conducted in 2 or 3 universities
- A diploma of each partner (with reference to the collaboration)
- Research period (physically) at all partners (>/= 6 month)
- Supervisor(s) at each university
- A single, public defence
- Jury with members of all partners





2. What does a joint PhD involve?

Are you ready for:

- Finding a supervisor at two or more universities?
- Living in a different country for at least several months and organise all arrangements for that?
- Following a PhD procedure at two universities?
- Gaining more knowledge?
- Gaining wide networks?
- Gaining more perspectives?



3. When to start a joint PhD?

- Administratively no restrictions
 - Beginning of PhD
 - Later state
 - No min or max length of PhD (usually)
- Check if restrictions in partner university (& consult supervisor)
- Application sent latest 1 year before defence





Pack your suitcase

- 1. Joint PhD procedure
- 2. Important items to negotiate



Brief overview

- 1/ Finding a supervisor
- 2/ Assemble your application at UAntwerp
- 3/ Send your application to ADS (JointPhD@uantwerp.be)
- 4/ ADS will coordinate the process
- 5/ Start up procedure at partner institution(s)



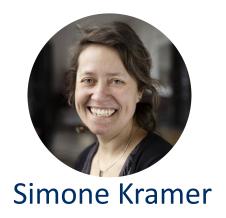
Application

- Completed and signed application form
 - Information about applicant
 - Information about thesis
 - Information about partner universities
 - Motivation for pursuing Joint PhD
 - Planning of research stay
- Signed confirmation of <u>all</u> supervisors
- Motivation for more than 1 supervisor/partner university
- (Detailed cv)



ADS Team

One team to guide you along your journey and answer all your questions!



Contact us: JointPhD@uantwerp.be







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Approval of application

- Application sent to Faculty
- Approval by Faculty Board/Departmental Board
 - Follow procedure at partner university



Contract negotiations

- Contract proposal is drawn up
- Negotiations with partner university(ies)
- After approval by ADS and partner(s): final approval by faculty





Signing of the contract

- After full approval signing will be initiated:
 - On original paper copies
 - Digitally (DocuSign or other)
 - A combination (digital first, then original of the print-out)
- Legal parties: representatives of partners + PhD researcher
- For acknowledgment: all supervisors (+ e.g. dean)



2. Important items for the negotiation

Composition of the jury

Minimal requirements: at least one academic staff member UAntwerp

Place of defence

Can take place at either partner institution, usually at main institution



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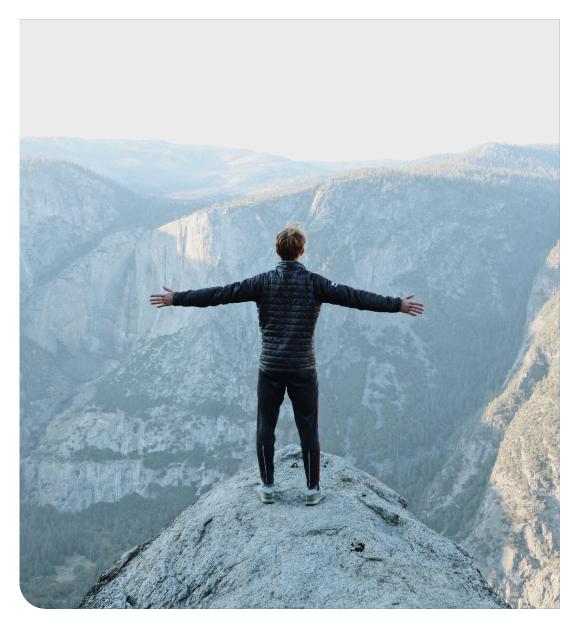
- One <u>single</u>, <u>public</u> defence recognised by all partner universities
 - Absolute requirement, no possibility to deviate from that for UAntwerp
- Mentioning of the <u>collaboration</u> and <u>date</u> of defence on diploma
 - Absolute requirement for UAntwerp, but can be mentioned on undividable diploma supplement



Good to know

- Research stay before application for Joint PhD
 - Can count for Joint PhD at UAntwerp
- (Still) IDC/Research Progress at UAntwerp
 - Progress Doctoral Study Programme (depends)
- Joint PhD = not a means of funding





Start your journey

- 1. What's in it for me?
- 2. Tips from the experts



1. What's in it for me?

- A degree from 2 or 3 universities
- International mobility
- Enhances individual research
- Access to complementary facilities and resources
- Close contact with other research cultures & perspectives
- Improving respective language skills, gaining intercultural competence
- Networking



2. Tips from the experts

Testimonials

- 1/ Prof. Dr. Annemie Bogaerts, Professor of Chemistry

 (Faculty of Science, Department of Chemistry) supervisor
- 2/ Marco Poli, PhD in Law
 Università di Torino (Italy) INCOMING joint PhD
- 3/ Prof. Dr. Philippe Meers, Professor of Film and Media Studies (Faculty of Social Sciences) supervisor







