

Swiss Nanoscience Institute PhD School – Information sheet for doctoral students

Welcome to the SNI PhD School!

We are delighted to admit between six and eight doctoral students each year to the SNI and our PhD School. To help our doctoral students get off to a good start, we have put together the following information so that everything runs smoothly.

General information

As a doctoral student, your first two points of contact are the relevant Principal Investigator (PI) and co-PI.

If you have general questions about your doctorate, for example on earning credit points, please contact Dr. Andreas Baumgartner, Coordinator of the SNI PhD School (andreas.baumgartner@unibas.ch).

Administrative questions relating to employment, finance, SNI membership or the SNI can be directed to Claudia Wirth, SNI General Manager (claudia.wirth@unibas.ch).

The SNI funds your dissertation for a maximum of 48 months. During this time, you will enjoy numerous benefits but you also have certain responsibilities that apply to all doctoral students at the SNI PhD School.

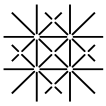
Rights and responsibilities of doctoral students

Doctoral students at the SNI PhD School are obligated to matriculate and complete their doctorate at the University of Basel. Please send a copy of your **confirmation of matriculation** to the SNI management without request within **two months of commencing employment**.

When you begin your doctorate, you automatically become a **member of the SNI PhD School** (for more information, see the SNI membership regulations). SNI membership has many benefits, including free entry to certain events.

As an SNI doctoral student, you are required to participate in all **SNI PhD School events** (e.g. SNI Annual Meeting, Nanoscience in the Snow, soft skill events) and to communicate your **dissertation progress** in the relevant forums and the SNI's **Annual Report**. All specified deadlines and requirements must be fulfilled.

You must display the **SNI logo***) on publications such as posters, presentations, videos, etc. The acknowledgements must include a statement such as **“This work was supported by the Swiss Nanoscience Institute.”** to show that you are funded by the SNI. You must also mention your affiliation to the SNI and membership of the SNI PhD School. The address is: Swiss Nanoscience Institute, University of Basel, Klingelbergstrasse 82, 4056 Basel, Switzerland.



As soon as a paper is accepted in which you have played a significant role, please inform Dr. Christel Möller, SNI Communication Manager (c.moeller@unibas.ch), who will decide how to share this information on social media.

To make it easier for you to exchange ideas with other doctoral students in the SNI PhD School and attend all relevant events, the SNI PhD School pays for your **half-fare card** from its own funds.

We assume that you will complete your dissertation within the four years funded by the SNI.

Please inform the SNI General Manager as soon as you have a date for your oral doctoral exam and contact us with the result of the exam.

Please read this information sheet and the SNI member regulations carefully. The SNI management expects all provisions to be fulfilled. If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch at any time.

We wish you a successful and inspiring time. We look forward to working with you!

*) [Link to download the SNI logo](#)

You can find more information about the SNI PhD School on our website:
<https://nanoscience.unibas.ch/en/forschung/phd-programm/>