HBIGS Credit Point System

HBIGS PhD students are required to participate in a number of scientific and non-scientific training activities during the course of their PhD. The Student’s total workload in the HBIGS training program during a three-year PhD term is about 250-300 h (= 15 credit points; CP), according to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

One day of work is considered equivalent to 0.5 CP

Students must collect a total of 15 credit points.
- Min. 6 CP must be collected within two consecutive HBIGS Core Courses at the beginning of the PhD.
- Up to 9 CP must be collected in accompanying teaching modules, either of HBIGS or other institutions.
  Modules may include:
  - Method courses
  - Soft skill trainings
  - Workshops
  - Scientific Meetings with personal contribution (talk or poster)
  - Summer schools with personal contribution (talk or poster)
  - Student-led initiatives e.g. Retreats with personal contribution (talk or poster)

- Scientific lecture series that are part of institutional PhD programs can be accredited with max. 1.5 CP, depending on the duration, frequency, and documented attendance.

- No credit points are awarded for regular lab seminars.
Examples:

- Core Course 6.0 CP
- 2 days Method Course 1.0 CP
- 1 day Soft Skill Training at Graduate Academy 0.5 CP
- 10 half days course on Animal Handling 2.5 CP
- Lecture Series over 3 years (e.g. SFB lecture; attendance list) 1.5 CP
- Summer school with poster or oral presentation (Co-authorship poster 0.5 CP) 1.0 CP
- Scientific meeting with poster or oral presentation (Co-authorship poster 0.5 CP) 1.0 CP
- Journal club with presentation over 3 years (attendance list) 1.5 CP
- Invited oral presentation 1.0 CP
- First authorship (peer-reviewed publication listed in PubMed) 2.0 CP
- Co-authorship (peer-reviewed publication listed in PubMed) 1.0 CP
- Patent authorship 2.0 CP
- Organizer of a scientific meeting, retreat or workshop (max. 1.0 CP per PhD term) 1.0 CP
- Awards: poster prize or best oral presentation 0.5 CP
- Organizer/teacher of a Core Course teaching module (max. 1.0 CP per PhD term) 1.0 CP
- Supervision of a practical course for BSc or MSc students (no lab rotations, no seminars; course must be announced in the prospectus; max. 1.0 CP per PhD term) 1.0 CP

Appropriate proof must be provided for all activities.

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