

Goals and action plan, Internationalisation of the PhD programme, Faculty of Medicine, 2019-2024

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- **Goal 1:** *The Faculty of Medicine has a high level of attractiveness for international PhD students as a knowledge and research institution*
 - Ensure that all relevant information through various forum is also available in English
 - Ensure that preparatory and introductory information is made available in English to all newly recruited international PhD students
 - Ensure that staff at all departments provide harmonized information and support in the recruitment and admission processes of international PhD students
 - Ensure that relevant career support and information is available to PhD students seeking a career abroad
 - Ensure that both relevant information concerning possibilities for exchange and short guest periods during the PhD and information about contact persons are easily found
 - Monitor and make visible the financing opportunities available for recruitment of international PhD students
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- **Goal 2:** *The Faculty of Medicine initiates and partakes in international collaborations that contribute to further improving the quality of the PhD programme*
 - Develop new strategic collaborations that include structured mobility opportunities for PhD students
 - Ensure that the necessary conditions and prerequisites are met to enable mobility
 - Assist in finding collaboration partners with complementary research activities
 - Ensure quality of collaborations by further developing relationships with current partners
 - Clarify processes involved in, and strategic importance of, joint programmes (leading to joint or double degree)
 - Promote funding opportunities for research collaborations which incorporate joint PhD programmes and PhD mobility in general
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- **Goal 3:** *PhD students have solid international experience and have developed strong international networks during the PhD programmes.*
 - Develop and communicate opportunities for PhD students to spend time in different research environments abroad

- Communicate mobility opportunities for PhD students within Lund University's international networks, such as U21 and LERU
 - Ensure that financial support provided by the Faculty of Medicine for PhD students, further facilitates and aligns with strategies and action plans for internationalisation
 - Ensure that international mobility is clearly outlined in the Individual Study Plan and that a reflection is included in the Portfolio
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- **Goal 4:** *Systems for monitoring and evaluating internationalisation of the PhD programme are well established*
 - Develop indicators which map and measure the international activities and collaboration within the PhD programme
 - Develop a systematic approach to following up the information provided regarding PhD students' experiences and outcomes of a mobility period
 - Follow up on national and international initiatives regarding evaluations of internationalisation of the PhD programme
 - Benchmark the objectives of internationalisation and the resources available for it, comparing the Faculty of Medicine with other leading Swedish universities, universities in U21, LERU and other relevant institutions and networks.