Writing a Bachelor or Master Thesis at OLDENBURG the Chair of Sustainability and Supply Chain Management



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The Chair Welcomes Theses in any of our Teaching and Research Areas

Sustainability management

Operations und supply chain management Innovation management

Requirements for Application

- We aim to provide intensive and close support for our students. Therefore, we can only supervise a limited number of theses per semester on the announced topics.
- The selection of applicants is based on the predicted quality of the thesis. To this aim, we apply the following criteria:
 - Having written an exposé in one of our research-oriented courses
 - Previous scientific or practical experience related to the topic
 - Successful participation in relevant courses offered by our chair
 - Clearly recognizable interest (based on the letter of motivation)
 - Language skills in English and, if applicable, German
 - Current grade average in the ongoing degree programme

Finding a topic

Path 1 (regular case) - Application to an advertised topic

The chair's proposed topics are regularly distributed proactively to students of the relevant courses of study approximately one month before the application deadline. UOL students can also request them by e-mail from Eva Osteresch (eva.osteresch@uol.de).

Path 2 (exception) - Submission of your own topic proposal

- You can also submit your own topic suggestions. In this case, you still have to apply normally. Please include a precise presentation of your topic and indicate a desired supervisor.
- The topic must necessarily contain a relevant scientific issue and fit the supervisor's respective field of research.
- Especially if a company participation is considered we would like to point out that the scientific added value of the work must absolutely be present. Solving practical problems (without contributing to scientific research) is not an adequate concern for a university thesis.

Application Documents

• Your application should contain the following documents:

- 1. Application form
- 2. Letter of motivation (1-2 pages) regarding the preferred topic from the list (always to be written in English, even if the thesis is to be written in German)
- 3. In case of own topic proposal: precise description of the topic proposal including relevant current research and scientific theories.
- 4. CV
- Copies of certificates (Abitur/A-level/equivalent – and, if applicable, Bachelor certificate)
- 6. Certification of grades of all courses taken during current study program
- 7. If applicable, proof of experience in relevant research methods
- 8. If applicable, proof of further relevant certificates

Application Process

- Application deadline for the summer term is always the 15th of January the respective year. The application deadline for the next winter semester is always the 15th of July of the respective year.
- Please submit all documents in a single PDF file.
- Send your application to Eva Unruh (eva.unruh@uol.de). The applications are collected centrally and sent to the respective supervisor.
- All topics will be assigned by us approximately two weeks after the application deadline. Each topic is initially offered to exactly one person with the request for a short-term decision.
- Initially, the topics offered by the chair are distributed preferentially. If there are still free capacities, own student proposals are also accepted if they meet the requirements

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Supervision Process in the Summer Term 2024

- Start of supervision, kick-off meeting
- Submission of a fully developed exposé by you by 22.04.2023 at the latest (cut-off deadline)
- Registration of your thesis at the Academic Examination Office ("Prüfungsamt") no later than four weeks after acceptance of the submitted exposé (cut-off deadline)
- Regular attendance of a suitable colloquium
 - "2.02.650 Bachelor, Master Colloquium" oder
 - "2.02.649 Master-/ PhD Colloquium"
- Certificate of participation after successful presentation in the colloquium
- Ongoing coordination with your supervisor
- Handing in of your final thesis

Supervisor Profile of Satwant Dahiya



- Compliance vs. performance in sustainable supply chain management
- Sustainability management in global supply chains
- Life cycle analysis
- Ecology interface

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Supervisor Profile of Marlene Huchtkemper



- Corporate social responsibility
- Human rights in global supply chains
- Reputational risks of internationally operating companies
- Social sustainability in supply chain management
- Further training potential of small and medium-sized enterprises for sustainable business model innovations and OSCM

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Supervisor Profile of Julien Minnemann



- Energy sector with energy transition and digitalization
- Business model innovations for energy utilities, especially municipal utilities
- Sustainability transitions
- Diffusion of innovations

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Supervisor Profile of Eva Unruh



- Operations and supply chain management in small and medium sized businesses
- Process management in craft firms
- Boundary conditions of OSCM concepts
- Digitalization of craft firms
- Improvement of university teaching by using digital concepts and implementing case-studies

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