Godfather



Every student:

will chose (with help of supervisor) a godfather/mother

- outside the immediate research group
- if possible at same location, at LERMA

Role:

- Ensures wellbeing of student
- Meets student ≥ 1/year

« Comité de suivi »



Law: Each student has a council meeting each year to evaluate his/her scientific advancement and his/her adequate integration, funding etc.

Council members:

- Scientific member: selected at beginning of Ph.D. with supervisor
- Godfather
- Possibly representative from doctoral school

Schedule

• 1rst year:

- Dec/Jan: Student and Godfather/mother meet and talk to see whether everything is fine, especially welfare issues
- Jan March: Comite de suivi with godfather and scientific member, report
- June: Informal meeting with godfather to ensure that Ph.D. student is well integrated and the work is advancing nicely

• 2nd year:

- Dec/Jan: Student and Godfather/mother meet and talk
- Jan March: Ecole Doctorale organizes Comite de suivi with godfather and scientific member, report
- June: Informal meeting with godfather to check progress

3rd year:

- Dec/Jan: Student and Godfather/ mother talk
- Jan March: Comite de suivi with godfather and scientific member, report
- June: Informal meeting with godfather to check that the writing of the thesis advances well



Your student representative @ the LERMA

- Represent the interests of PhD students...
 It's often easier to contact first a student than a permanent reseacher if you have problems!
- Participation at the laboratory Council
- Communicate requests / information / suggestions / difficulties
- Keep students informed about laboratory policy, meetings, etc...
- Organize social events between LERMA PhD students in Paris:



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