

# WORKSHOP

## TO BE (OR NOT TO BE) A THESIS SUPERVISOR: A NEGLECTED DEMAND

**November 9th 2023 (UTC time; 9 Arg.; 12 UK; 13 Germ. Swe; 23 Aus.)**

Thesis supervision is a growing research topic within higher education. On the one hand, the role of supervisor is scarcely codified. For many years the assumption was that research experience was sufficient to supervise doctoral students. With the huge increase of doctoral programs all over the world, and the consequent increase of supervisors demand from a growing population of thesists, the relation supervisor-supervisee has proven to be one of the main if not the most important factors that explain the high attrition rates and long time to thesis completion that appeared, mainly in the social sciences and the humanities. The phenomenon has been labelled "all but dissertation", ABD. In this situation, a reflection on the pedagogization of this function is warranted. In this Workshop, we propose to discuss the definition and professionalization of the role of the thesis

### **We will discuss proposals on the following topics:**

- \* The definition (theoretical and actual) of the thesis supervisor role.
- \* Training programs for thesis supervisors all over the world, especially in Latin America.
- \* Excellent researchers not necessarily are excellent supervisors/researchers trainers.
- \* Syllabus of thesis supervisors training programs: National and international studies.
- \* Styles of Thesis Supervision. Which ones do students appreciate/expect/value?
- \* The 'contract' between supervisor and supervisee

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1. 12:00 to 12:15 introduction and brief presentation of the participants
2. 12:15 to 14:15 am Abstracts presentations
3. 14:15-14:30 Break
4. 14:30 to 16:00 Discussion

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**RECEIVED ABSTRACTS & PARTICIPANTS ABSTRACTS & Bios Here**

**Stan Taylor:** Comparative Perspectives on the Professionalisation of Doctoral Supervision

**Lorena Fernández Fastuca:** Thesis supervision. What supervisors reflect on their experiences as research students and their supervisors?

**Karen Clegg:** The Research SuperVision Project (RSVP) - Funded by Research England

**Alexandra Toland:** Mother, Sister, Colleague, Friend: on Mentoring Relationships and Academic Kinships in Doctoral Supervision

**Catalina Wainerman & Luciano Levin:** What do we know about Thesis supervision? A world bibliometric analysis

**Lilian Betancur:** A training experience for undergraduate Thesis Tutors in Uruguay