

Central PhD student council, Centrala doktorandrådet (CDR)

The Central PhD Student Council (CDR) is the SUS council for discussing all matters that concerns the PhD students at Stockholm University. CDR serves as an advisory body for SUS when it comes to these questions, but can also act independently of SUS. CDR nominates PhD students for a number of positions across faculty level, university level, and across university level as well.

What we are looking for

2 ordinary PhD representatives, and 2 suppliants

Why become a representative?

- Knowledge about what is happening on faculty and central university level
- A broader circle of contacts within the university
- A merit for your résumé/CV
- prolongation if you are a PhD student

Number of meetings per semester

Usually 4 meetings that are 2 hours long.

Language requirements

Meeting language and meeting documents are in English.

Term

One year (Jan–Dec) The mandate period is until SFR's next annual meeting, which is usually at the beginning of December. However, no commitments are binding.

Prolongation

As an ordinary member you receive up to 20 days of prolongation, this is a high number of prolongation days, and you are a representative of SFR expected to report back to SFR, meaning that you are expected to participate in the SFR meeting. As a secondary member you only receive prolongation if you are participating in a meeting where the ordinary members are not able to participate. The main rule is always that the extension must correspond to the work effort required by the assignment.

What is expected of you as a representative:

Prior knowledge

No prior knowledge is needed. The chair of the body is responsible for giving you an introduction. You can prepare questions and send emails if something is unclear.

Before the meeting

About a week before the meeting you will get a calling with the agenda and the documents. Read through these before the meeting to better understand the issues that will be discussed and the decisions that will be made.

During the meeting

As an ordinary representative you have the right to speak and vote. As a secondary representative you have the right to speak but you can only vote if you step in for one of the ordinary representatives. During the meeting you are expected to report to CDR from SFR.

After the meeting

As a representative, you report back to SFR about things of relevance that were discussed or decided upon at the meetings you have participated in. You can also be present at the meetings and report directly to SFR.

Absence

If you for some reason cannot participate in a meeting, tell the person who sent the calling and, as an ordinary representative, let your secondary representatives know.