KEY FIGURES FOR PHD PROGRAMMES AT BSS

	BSS (total)	Business Adm.	Business Comm.	Economics and Business	Law	Political Sciecne	Psychology	Social Sciences and Business
On the way to a PhD (Important + Very important)								
I was passionate about doing research	89%	94%	100%	91%	87%	90%	85%	71%
I was very interested in my topic	93%	94%	100%	94%	93%	93%	92%	81%
I assumed that the PhD title would create opportunities in the job market outside the university	48%	50%	31%	70%	33%	27%	45%	43%
I considered it to be a regular job with a permanent income	53%	65%	47%	51%	52%	33%	58%	67%
I didn't have any other plans when I was given the opportunity	22%	30%	0%[a]	22%	20%	24%	18%	37%[a]
Has your main supervisor applied for external funding for a project financing your salary?	20%	26%	19%	24%	14%	7%	18%	26%[a]
The PhD subject elements (To some degree + To a high degree)								
Do you and your main supervisor use the interim evaluations to take stock of your PhD process?	54%	63%[a]	63%	52%	46%	53%	45%	70%
Do you use the PhD planner to survey the progress in your project?	30%	44%	29%	31%	27%	7%	38%	32%[a]
Does the selection of PhD courses give you the possibility of strengthening your general research qualifications?	77%	79%	80%	73%	67%	77%	93%	67%
Does the selection of PhD courses give you the possibility of strengthening your research qualifications within the framework of your project?	48%	44%	59%	54%	37%	47%	50%	43%
Has the work you do beyond your own project (e.g. various department work including teaching) been useful?	93%	94%	100%	86%	96%	100%[a]	95%	90%
Is the work you do beyond your own project (e.g. various department work including teaching) of such a magnitude that it affects your project?	64%	79%	88%	65%	41%[a]	64%[a]	69%	35%
Research environment (Somewhat agree + Agree)								
I feel like I'm part of the research community here	58%	38%	88%	62%	39%	77%	53%	57%
Here I feel respected as a co-researcher	68%	45%	82%	68%	50%	93%	63%	86%
In this research environment, research conducted by PhD students is acknowledged although it may not be ground-breaking	57%	33%	73%[a]	60%	48%[a]	80%	46%[a]	70%
There is a sense around here that working together on research is fun	49%	28%	56%	56%[a]	22%	87%	42%	53%[a]
It is possible to talk openly with colleagues about successful as well as unsuccessful experiences	58%	41%	64%[a]	67%[a]	36%[a]	67%	61%	60%
Here we present and discuss each other's research on a regular basis	53%	30%	59%	58%	19%	97%	49%	57%

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I feel that the researchers here are harsh and negative rather than constructive when giving feedback on each other's work	18%	41%	6%	13%	15%[a]	17%	22%	10%
People seem to be very competitive	36%	41%	44%	26%	42%[a]	43%	37%	32%[a]

Supervision relationship (Somewhat agree + Agree)

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My supervisor is friendly and accommodating	96%	91%	100%	96%	100%	97%	95%	100%
My supervisor recognises my work	87%	72%	88%	91%	93%	97%	81%	86%
My supervisor asks me about my needs and expectations regarding supervision	48%	42%	53%	40%	50%	63%	51%	52%
Sometimes I have a feeling that my supervisor sees me primarily as a source of labour to advance his/her research	4%	12%	0%	3%	0%	0%	8%	5%
My supervisor (either co-supervisor or main supervisor) is available when needed	89%	88%	94%	85%	97%	93%	87%	86%
My supervisor makes many important choices in my project	19%	24%	6%	27%	10%	7%	26%	14%
My supervisor has clear preferences for the direction my project needs to take	33%	41%	19%	37%	30%	31%	29%	30%
My supervisor has a clear expectation that I will follow the advice I get	40%	36%	43%[a]	55%	30%	37%	38%[a]	25%
My supervisor sometimes takes over the writing if I come to a standstill	7%	9%	0%	9%[a]	3%	3%	11%	5%

Independence and control (Somewhat agree + Agree)

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I often feel insecure that what I do is good enough	73%	82%	88%	71%	66%	69%	72%	67%
Sometimes I wonder if I'm good enough to be a PhD student	58%	68%	63%	64%	38%	52%	56%	62%
I feel a sense of ownership of my project	89%	76%	88%	86%	97%	100%	92%	90%
It is important to me that I make all the critical choices in my project	67%	62%	100%	56%	79%	70%	63%	71%

Workload (Often + Almost always)

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Do you feel that your work as a PhD student takes up so much time and energy that it affects your private life?	29%	56%	38%	22%	3%	30%	24%	38%
Does your work as a PhD student give you severe stress symptoms (e.g. isolation, palpitations, stomach ache, depression, restlessness, memory loss)?	17%	44%	6%	9%	7%	20%	18%	14%
Do you feel lonely during your day at your workplace?	18%	24%	7%	14%	36%	7%	18%	24%
Do you feel that you act alone in your project and lack the necessary feedback to make progress?	22%	38%	21%	23%	7%	10%	26%	25%

Satisfaction (Somewhat agree + Agree)

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Overall, I'm satisfied with what I have learned during my PhD process	87%	88%	88%	87%	86%	93%	87%	81%
Overall, I'm satisfied with the quality of my research work	80%	71%	100%	84%	79%	73%	79%	79%[a]

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Overall, I'm satisfied with the quality of my research supervision	71%	59%	87%	64%	89%	87%	66%	67%
I can warmly recommend my main supervisor	73%	64%	87%	67%	90%	87%	62%	71%

Note: The colouring of the table follows the guidelines described in Figure 1.1.
a) Between 10-20 percent have replied 'Don't know / not relevant'. These are not part of the calculation of the frequency.
b) Between 20-30 percent have replied 'Don't know / not relevant'. These are not part of the calculation of the frequency.
c) Between 30-40 percent have replied 'Don't know / not relevant'. These are not part of the calculation of the frequency.