

EVALUATION RESEARCH SEMINAR

Netherlands Graduate School of Urban and Reg

21 out of 50 people filled out the evaluation form

Contents of the seminar

1. Quality of the lecturers

	Very bad				Excellent
Philip McCann	1	1		4	15
Michael Oxley		3	9	8	
George Galster	1		4	8	6

Two persons did not attend Galster's lecture

One person did not attend Oxley's lecture

Comment:

- Mr. McCann's lecture is very informative, while Prof. Galster's lecture is really astonishing to me.

2. Usefulness of the PhD students' presentations

Not useful				Very useful
		7	11	3

Comment:

- Did not really connected to my own research topic and interests

- Most of the PhD's presentations are at very preliminary status so there is not very much to see and discuss.

3. Quality of the feedback provided on the PhD students' presentations

Very bad				Excellent
	1	4	14	2

Comment:

- I did not have a presentation. Yet, it seems that we have had some good discussions and that the presenters were happy with the feedback of the students and lecturers.

- in principle the communication is good. However, there is lack of sufficient discussion between the PhD at senior level and their fellows/mentors on their topic especially the lack of follow-up discussion.



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though sometimes not really coherent with the effective
 or the comments within the seminar should be to help to
 make progress in the research process.

4. Will you bring the subject material of the research seminar into practice for your own research?

Definitely not				Definitely
	6	5	7	3

One person doesn't know

Comment:

- The research was mostly addressed to social geographers. My research should move more towards sociological concepts and qualitative research methods.

5. Did the research seminar meet your expectations?

Completely not				Completely
		5	9	8

Comment:

- Very high quality presentations and very high quality comments.
- Hard to say, I only had an expectation on the lecture of McCann and his lecture met my expectation.
- It would be better if the communicative platform can be established beyond the seminar
- The lectures are quite what I expected. It will be better if we have more established work presented by the PhD students.

Organisation of the seminar

6. How did you know about the seminar?

- a. Newsletter 9
- b. Flyer/Poster 7
- c. Colleagues/Friends 6
- d. Other, namely.....
- email from the UvA
- email from Nethur
- via supervisor
- during CC1



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Duration of the research seminar?

				Too long
2	1	17	2	

Comment:

- Full day is absolutely fine.
- One day is perfect. Two days could be better in order to have more presenters.
- One day is perfect!
- It would have been good with more time for PhD presentations, perhaps adding another half day.

8. How did you like the location & facilities of the seminar?

Very bad				Excellent
		1	13	8

Comment:

- The dinner at the end is crucial in building a community of research!
- Could choose a more smaller and friendly space.

9. How do you assess the information that was given by NETHUR in advance?

Very bad				Excellent
		4	12	6

Comment:

- It will help a lot if more detail is given about the lectures and PhD presentations.

Suggestions for improvement:

1. Do it more often.
2. It would be nice to get by email all presentations that were presented in the meeting.
3. Prefer more constructive feedback, if possible.
4. Prefer seminar more focused on particular matter. So, only those PhDs will present who are strongly relevant and experts on that topic are present to give feedback.
5. It was a nice and interesting seminar and I enjoyed it very much.
6. It was a very good day; pitifully I missed part of the program
7. More lectures by distinguished speakers.
8. Group sessions of PhD presentations, by topic or methodology.
9. It might be nice if more PhD's would give a presentation on their projects. This will enhance knowledge of what's going on.



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parallel sessions

introductory presentations in order to stress the variance of

urban studies

12. List of participant at entrance and to take home: I wanted to contact one of the phd's afterwards which was quite difficult since I didn't know here email address or anything

13. It would be good to include the slides of the keynotes in the seminar handout.

14. Perhaps think of a theme/topic for the next seminar, otherwise too broad.

15. More presentations by PhD students? (which would then mean more parallel sessions at a time)

16. There was not much time for discussion because the presentations most of the time took longer.

And I find the discussion parts the most interesting parts of the lectures and the PhD presentations.

So perhaps some more time for discussion would be a nice thing.

17. I observed there is no contact info of the key speakers, which may hinder the contact after the seminar

18. More time for PhD presentations

19. Dinner for everyone (as there were many I wished to talk more to who had to leave)

20. More information in the newsletter before the seminar day.

21. It will be great if more professors can participate in this event. Their questions and feedback are really inspiring.