

PCGS credit point system 2012 +

Credit points can be accumulated during the 3-years graduate program. You have to obtain a minimum of *12 credit points* during your PhD time. At least one research school and the basics part of the lecture "Atmospheric Chemistry" given by Prof. Lammel are obligatory. Credit points are given for attending lectures, participating in exercises and passing exams. Furthermore they are given for presentations at conferences (oral or poster), for the participation in summer schools and certain organisational efforts.

Teaching in higher education (university level), the participation in softskill courses and publications are excluded from the credit system but can be listed on your certificate.

Type of Achievement	ECTS credit points awarded
Regular lecture of 2 SWS / 3 SWS / 4 SWS ^x (attendance only; min 80%) Effort of ~ 25-30 hours = 2 SWS	1 / 1.5 / 2 CP
Participation in an exercise or passing an exam	1 CP per 25h work effort (1.5 times the CP of the associated lecture)
Special lecture cycle < 2 SWS Only for PCGS Lectures	1 CP (attendance of min 7 lectures)
Summer schools of 1 - 1.5 weeks	2 CP (one school is obligatory)
Summer schools of 4 - 5 weeks	4 CP
Oral presentation an international (refers to occupation) / national conference	2 CP / 1.5 CP
Oral presentation during a seminar or similar*	1 CP
Poster on international / national conference	1 CP
Poster during a seminar or similar* Incl. PCGS Days	0.5 CP
Organisation (e.g. supervision of pupils, PhD represent.) Only once in your PhD time	1 CP

^x SWS = Semesterwochenstunde = hours per week during the term

*** Similar means: Project workshops / data meetings beyond group level, department workshops with conference character (e.g. Ringberg), PCGS days and seminars with institute wide or even wider audience (DoSe, IPA/MPIC, Botany or similar). In borderline cases the PCGS coordinator decides.**

All achievements should be confirmed either on a form provided during the respective event (e.g. summer school certificate or university certificate (Schein)) or by an authorised person (usually the lecturer or group leader) on forms provided in the PCGS download area. Electronic versions of oral and poster presentations shall be sent to the PCGS coordinator.

Conference presentations can only get credit points, if the same content has not been awarded already before.

This credit system becomes valid at 01.01.2012 for all PhD students who did not yet enter the third year of their PhD time. Third years students may choose between this system and the former system.