# Suggestions for meetings with your mentor

Below you'll find some suggestions for when and how often you could meet with your mentor. Please keep in mind that it is your own responsibility to set up meetings with your mentor.

### • First month, introductory meeting with your mentor

All students start their master's degree program with an assessment on academic and professional skills (Diagnostic Test), to be completed within the first month. This assessment can provide clear insight into your development needs, after which you are expected to design a <u>personal study plan</u> and <u>personal development plan for</u> professional skills. Discuss the outcomes of the assessment with your mentor in an introductory meeting.

#### • First semester

Once you have prepared a coherent study plan and a career vision, your mentor can help you sort out which courses and departments to look into, and which professional skills are critical for the type of career you desire or refer you to other sources of information.

#### • Every one or two quartiles

Regular check-in meetings to reflect on your progress, ambitions, career options, and professional development.

#### • Before you start an internship or your graduation project

Internships and graduation projects are an important part of a your development into a professional who is ready to start a career. Your mentor can think with you which internships or graduation projects suit your ambitions, development and career plans.

## Typical questions you may want to ask your mentor

- Which professional skills are important in my desired career?
- How do I know if I'm making the right choices in putting together my study plan?
- Which courses are available to me?
- What career options do I have?
- Who do I approach to join a research group?
- I'm struggling with something.
- Where can I get help?
- Do my ideas for a study plan meet the quality guidelines of the university?
- How do I choose a graduation project?
- How can I combine these interesting courses in a way that fits my schedule?