

Survival kit for grad school

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Synopsis

This talk first presents some challenges and prospects awaiting M.Sc. and Ph.D. candidates and segues into the presentation of a series of techniques and hacks that could ease your life as a researcher. I will briefly introduce inflationary tendencies in education, how to keep your own bibliography up to date.

General context in education

- According to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development:

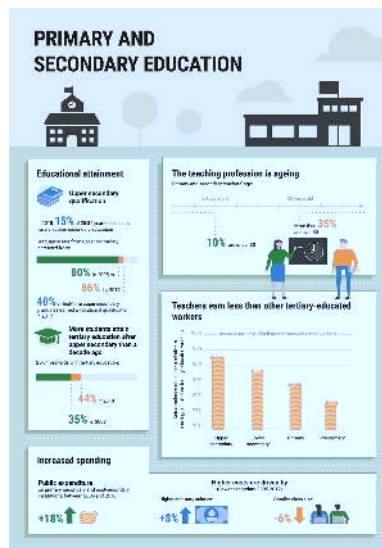


Figure 1: Secondary education

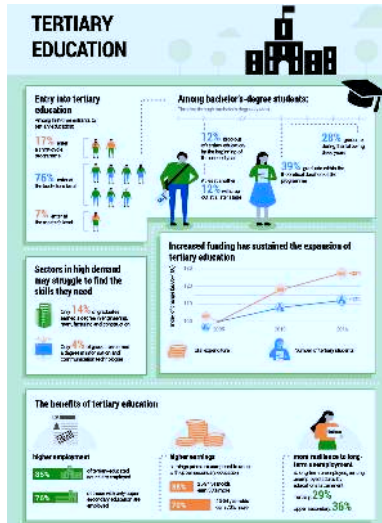
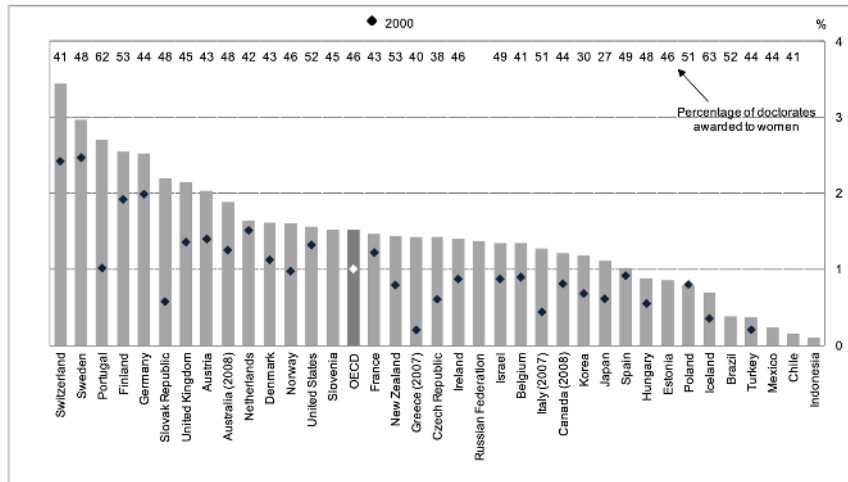


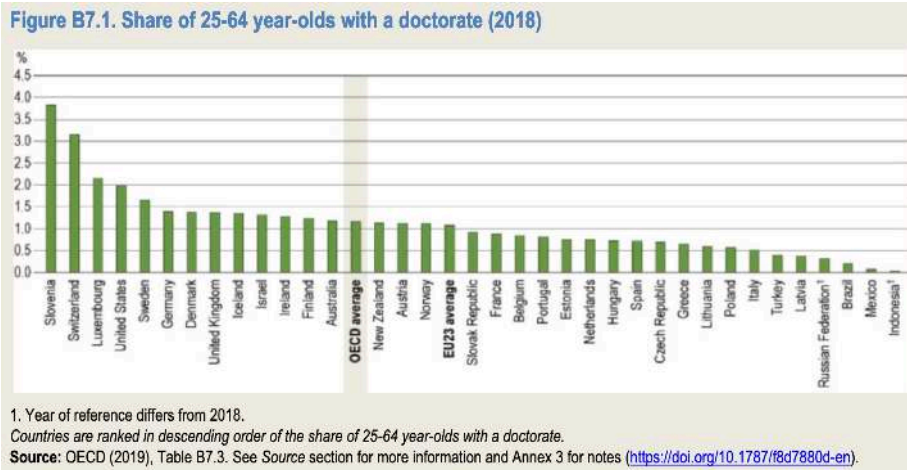
Figure 2: Tertiary education

- Inflation in grad school:

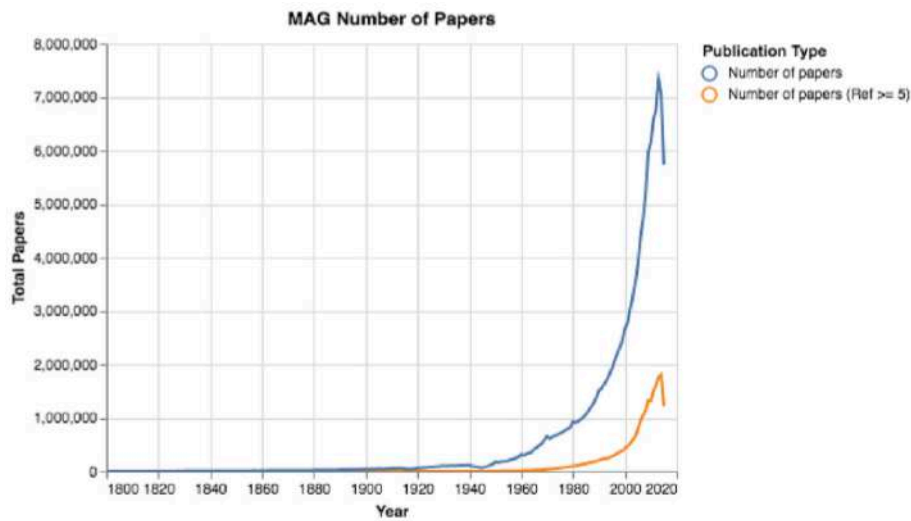
Figure 1. Graduation rates at doctoral level 2000 and 2009
 As a percentage of population in reference age cohort



Source: OECD (2011), Education at a Glance 2011: OECD Indicators and (2009) Education at a Glance 2009: OECD Indicators, OECD, Paris.



- Inflation in publications:



“Over-optimization of academic publishing metrics: observing Goodhart’s Law in action” by Michael Fire and Carlos Guestrin (2019)

History

- Perestroika
- Dissolution of the Soviet Union—1991
- Foundation of the University of Aizu (1993):
- UoA’s original website
- UoA’s first faculty

