Academic Mentorship System @MoL

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Academic mentors this year

- Maria Aloni
- ► Alexandru Baltag
- ▶ Benno van den Berg
- Franz Berto
- Nick Bezhanishvili
- ▶ Ulle Endriss
- Raquel Fernández
- ▶ Peter Hawke

- ▶ Dick de Jongh
- Benedikt Löwe
- Floris Roelofsen
- ▶ Robert van Rooij
- ► Christian Schaffner
- ► Sonja Smets
- ► Shane Steinert-Threlkeld
- ▶ Yde Venema

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What not to expect from your academic mentor

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- ▶ To be available 24/7

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Other general advices

- ▶ Avoid dispersion: don't enroll for too many courses!
- ▶ Be broad: don't focus on only one topic/discipline!
- ▶ Importance of social interactions, and seminars

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- Logic and Interactive RAtionality (LIRa)
- Seminar on music cognition and computation
- ► ILLC Colloquium
- ► SMART Cognitive Science Lectures
- ► LogiCIC Seminar
- ► The LeGO (Leerstoel Groepen Overleg) Seminar
- Seminar on Provability, Interpretability, Intuitionism and Arithmetic (PIIA)
- AlgebraCoalgebra Seminar
- Cognition at ILLC
- ► Theoretical Computer Science Seminar
- Music Cognition Reading Group
- Dutch Social Choice Colloquium
- Cognitive Semantics and Quantities Reading Group
- QuSoft Seminar

Full descriptions at ILLC website

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Find a summary on:

https://www.illc.uva.nl/MScLogic/people/mentors.html