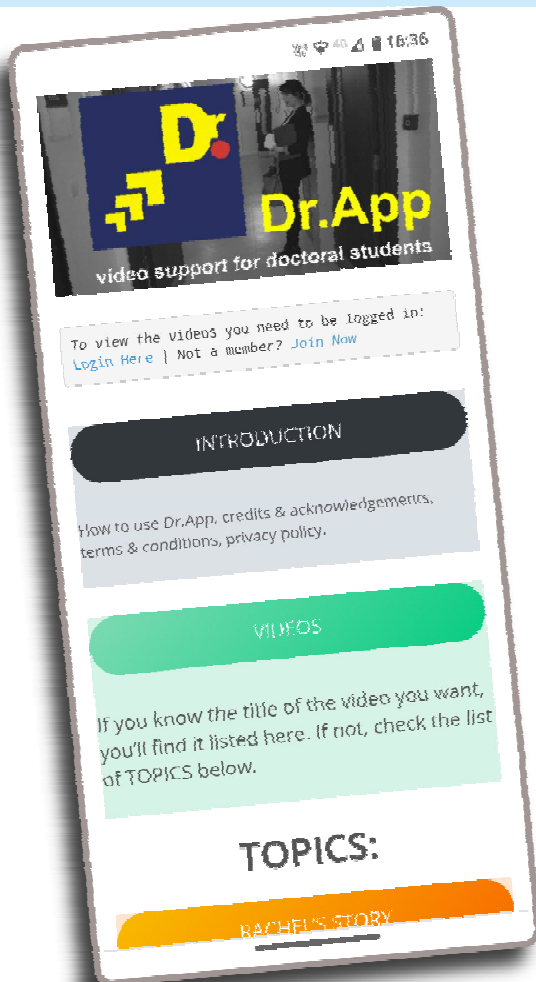


# Dr.App: video support for doctoral students

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- **Success stories:** case studies to keep you motivated on those days when you need reasons to be optimistic!
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- **Examinations:** the upgrade process that marks the first major landmark in most doctorates, and how to approach your viva with good preparation instead of panic!
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