

**Meeting: 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 13.00-15.00**

**Place: 1485 - 316**

**UN-meeting, LICS**

## **Agenda**

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Dato: 09.06 2021

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- 2.5 News from staff
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#### **4. Exam form Project Placement MA Cognitive Science, MA Linguistic, MA Cognitive semiotics**

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The UN are asked to approve the agenda, and give any follow ups on the minutes from the last meeting, which has been approved in writing before the meeting. The agenda and previous minutes of UN meetings are publicly available at the UN web page: <https://studerende.au.dk/studier/fagportaler/arts/kontakt/udvalgognaevn/uddannelsesnaevn/kommunikation-og-kultur/>

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- The Arts Studier Newsletter is publicly available at the teacher's portal at Arts: <https://medarbejdere.au.dk/fakulteter/ar/til-undervisere-paa-arts/nyhedsbrev-fra-arts-studier/>

### 3. Pilot project: Expanding the course portfolio for the 3rd semester on Master's degree programmes at the Faculty of Arts prior to an evaluation and possible restructuring of the 3rd semester

In autumn 2022, a pilot project to expand the portfolio of courses offered in the 3rd semester on Master's degree programmes at the Faculty of Arts will be launched. This pilot project precedes an evaluation of the academic regulations, which will focus on the 3rd semester and a possible restructuring of this semester. The courses must be approved by the Board of Studies and the Dean's Office in February 2022.

*The objectives of the pilot project are:*

- to expand the current portfolio of courses on the 3rd semester on Master's degree programmes at the Faculty of Arts by offering three new 10 ECTS elective profile courses: in sustainability, digitality and entrepreneurship,
- to test the new elective courses prior to an expected future restructuring of the 3rd semester based on an overall evaluation of existing Master's degree programmes.

*There are several reasons for launching a pilot project:*

- At the Faculty of Arts, we are increasingly required to collaborate across the university to offer elective courses, particularly within the areas of entrepreneurship and sustainability.
- The focus on digital competences for all students in the new strategies requires that students are able to add a digital dimension to their education.
- It has become clear that students who cannot be enrolled on a project placement have had limited options and have only been able to take the profile course Humanistic Innovation. This issue has worsened over the Corona period, since fewer students have been able to travel and thus more students have been referred to the one available profile course. It is expected that this issue will continue into autumn 2022.

*Process:*

<b>November</b>	Briefing on the pilot project in the school management team, the board of studies and the degree programme boards.
	Information meetings for 1st-semester students on Master's degree programmes (VEST – Student Guidance and Information).
<b>Mid-October - Mid-January</b>	New courses in sustainability and digitality prepared in the academic departments with ongoing support from SNUK.
<b>Mid-January</b>	New courses quality assured by SNUK and prepared for approval from the board of studies (in February).

<b>February</b>	New courses approved by the board of studies and the Dean's Office. Feedback incorporated and, if necessary, courses quality assured by SNUK. Profile semester text adapted in the academic regulations (SNUK). New courses advertised on the website (VEST).
<b>Deadline 1 March</b>	Deadline to announce new courses
<b>March 2022</b>	New courses once again advertised to students, if necessary (VEST).
<b>1 April</b>	Deadline to apply for advanced approval for international electives / project placements.
<b>1-5 May</b>	Students choose elective courses for the 3rd semester.
<b>1 September</b>	New elective courses come into force.

*Evaluation and future restructuring of 3rd semester:*

The pilot project will be preceded by an evaluation of the academic regulations in spring 2022 with a focus on 3rd semester with a view to any possible future restructuring of the semester. In autumn 2022, the faculty management team will decide on the direction of any restructuring and involve boards via a consultation process.

Appendices:

Appendix 3.1 Pilot project Expanding the course portfolio for the 3rd semester

**4. Exam form Project Placement MA Cognitive Science, MA Linguistic, MA Cognitive Semiotics**

As part of the approval of the new academic regulations for the Master's Degree Programme in Cognitive Science, it has been suggested to change the exam form for the Project Placement from a Take-home assignment on topic of student's choice to an oral exam on the basis of a synopsis.

At the UN meeting in October the UN approved the academic regulation with the take home assignment and are now asked to discuss the new suggestion.

Due to co-teaching with the Master's Degree Programme in Linguistics and the Master's Degree Programme in Cognitive Semiotics, the UN are also asked to discuss and decide if a change in those two regulations should be suggested.

*Proposal for decision:*

The UN decides if they:

- can approve oral examination for Project placement in Master's Degree Programme in Cognitive Science
- want to suggest changes in the exam form for Project Placement in Master's Degree Programme in Linguistics and the Master's Degree Programme in Cognitive semiotics

*Next step:*

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The Board of Studies will discuss both the academic regulations for Master´s Degree Programme in Cognitive Science and suggested changes in other degree programmes at their meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> November.

Appendices:

Appendix 4.1 Course description Project Placement MA Cognitive Science 2022

**5. News from Head of Department (Orientation/discussion)**

**6. Issues for upcoming meetings**

11.1 Issues for upcoming UN meetings

11.2 Issues for upcoming meetings suggested for the Board of Studies

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