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Punkt 1: Members of the Study Board

Beslutning

The new members Alex Winter, Mathematical Bioscience and Marta Mira Nethlimar Jørs, Environmental Science also take part in the meeting.

Members: Lotte Jelsbak (Medicinalbiology, Molecular Biology and Molecular Health Science - chair of the board), Nicholas Bailey (Fysik/Physics and Physics and Scientific Modelling), Frederik Diness (Kemi/Chemistry and Chemical Biology), Per Meyer Jepsen (Environmental Biology, Bioprocess Science and Environmental Science), Jesper Schmidt Hansen (Mathematics and Mathematical Bioscience), Marcell Balogh (Physics and Scientific Modelling)

Others: Annemette Palmqvist (vice-dean), Susanne Bartram (secretariat, ref.)

Punkt 2: Approval of agenda - 2 minutes

Beslutning

The agenda was approved. Items were moved around to accommodate that Per had to leave the meeting at 11:

- Item 11+12 at 10.30 with visits from caseworkers Line Dalby and Sabrija Tirak
- Item 10 moved down the agenda after item 11 and 12.

Punkt 3: Confirmation of new study board members - 5 minutes

Beslutning

The Study board confirms the new members.

The following student representatives have stepped out of the study board, because they finished their studies:

- Andreas Olesen (Molecular Health Science - vicechair of the board)
- Alicie Berg Nielsen (Chemical Biology)
- Sif Egelund Christensen (Mathematical Bioscience)
- Vlad Marcu (Environmental Science)

According to §21 in the rules of procedure the board must confirm that the alternates to the former representatives can take over their seat.

The board has work actively to have alternates ready to take over when the student representatives have to step out due to termination of studies. Otherwise the board will be without student representatives for half a year.

The new student representatives are:

Alex Winter, Mathematical Bioscience

Marta Mira Nethlimar Jørs, Environmental Science

The new alternates:

Panagiota Vasileiadi, Mathematical Bioscience

Punkt 4: Election of new vice-chair - 10 minutes

Beslutning

Alex is running for the post as the vice-chair and is elected unanimously.

The vice-chair, Andreas, has stepped out of the study board due to studies abroad.

According §2 in the rules of procedure, the board must elect a new vice-chair amongst the students. The term of office will until 1st of February 2027.

Punkt 5: Approval of open minutes from 02.07.26 - 5 minutes

Beslutning

The minutes were approved.

There were questions to the status of the following item in the minutes:

Item 2:

Status on written exams in winter 2026: Annemette is soon meeting the Head of the Exam section. The study board underlines the importance of involving the students point of view when preparing information to students on how to get ready for the new exam system.

Punkt 6: Announcements from chairperson - 10 minutes

Beslutning

Study start

Lotte informs that the study start consist of many different events during the first two weeks of September. Information is on study.ruc.

Prognosis

The latest prognosis shows a reduction in intake, which was expected for some programmes because they can only admit legal claim students (CB, MB and PSM).

Environmental Science also experienced a reduction, and this was expected due to new admission requirements. Molecular Health Science unexpectantly experienced a reduction as well.

Numbers from STADS are a bit better than the prognosis. We will know the final uptake by 1st October.

- Status study start
- Latest prognosis for uptake 2026 at master programmes - for internal use only
- Status of enrolled masterstudents uptake 2026 - for internal use only

Punkt 7: Orientations from students - 10 minutes

Beslutning

The students plan a social study start event the 10th of September. Alex and Marcel will plan and conduct.

Marcel informs that he (together with other students) is planning a RUS-tour for the new BA-students. It's not part of RUC's arrangements and will take place in a weekend.

- status study start event on the 10th of September

Punkt 8: Danish Student Survey - focus on graduate survey - 25 minutes

Beslutning

The study board raises the general concern that the numbers are very low and not statistically viable and hence difficult to discuss.

The study board does take interest in a finding in the RUC report. It is stated that *'44 percent found the transition to the workforce difficult. The most common reasons are challenges in communicating their own skills (40 percent) and in identifying relevant jobs (36 percent). These percentages are significantly higher than the average for all universities'*. (p.5)

Some students find that this is a recognisable feeling, and that it is somehow easier to convey one's competences re. courses. Re. projects the students find that it is easy to convey the generic project work competences, but more difficult to describe the content of the project in an academic sense and in a way that would make sense to the labor market.

The study board finds that this issue must be addressed in connection with the development of the 2028-programmes.

Some ideas are:

- The study board suggests to invite Martin Niss and Grit Bykile to talk about the studieforløbsbeskrivelser that has been implemented in connection with the BA-projects. The goal being to build in reflections on own learning and achieved competences.
- Integrating reflection during courses on how the course content and competences are reflected in the labor market.

Every other year (in odd-numbered years), the Danish Agency for Higher Education and Research conducts the Danish Student Survey (DKSU), which consists of two questionnaire surveys: one among *students* and one among recent graduates about their assessment of the transition to the labor market.

The board will discuss the graduate survey from the following material (for internal use only):

1. General report covering all RUC

2. PBI-data for **current programmes**:

- programme specific overview covering: jobstatus, match btw acquired and in-demand competencies, competencies, recommendation of programme
- total overview of INM programmes covering: elaboration of all of the above + transition to labor market and response rate

3. PBI-data for **previous programmes**:

- total overview of INM programmes covering: elaboration of all of the above + transition to labor market and response rate

The study board is invited to:

- discuss the key strengths and challenges reflected in the results for the programmes
- consider how the results should be interpreted in relation to local conditions and programme structure
- identify whether there are areas that call for follow-up or further investigation
- consider what actions, if any, fall within the study board's remit

Punkt 9: Approval of course offerings and activity coordinators for Spring 2027 - 10 minutes

Beslutning

The study board approves the course offerings for F2027.

MHS: the elective Protein Biochemistry is removed from the offerings, and it should be considered whether to remove it from the 2027-study regulations.

Looking into smaller intake of students at CB, it should be considered to remove another an elective from the programme.

Re. the course offerings for F27, Frederik will contact Annemette and Susanne for a meeting to discuss if we should cancel a course in advance before the students register for courses in December.

It is decided that the Head of Studies will look through the list of activity coordinators and reply directly to Christine Spanggaard if any changes. Susanne will write a reminder/mail to HoS.

As preparations for the planning of the Spring 2027 semester the Study Board is to review the proposed **course offerings** and the **activity coordinators**.

The attached extract from Study.ruc.dk, based on the current course offering catalogue, forms the basis for the review. The Study Board is asked to consider:

- Whether any changes should be made to the proposed **course offerings** for Spring 2027.
- Whether any changes have been made in terms of **activity coordinator**

Decision requested: Approval of the proposed course offerings and activity coordinators for Spring 2027, **or** identification of any required changes before the planning process proceeds.

The activity coordinator serves as the primary contact person for planning-related matters and will receive requests for planning information as well as access to edit course information and descriptions in Study.ruc.dk.

For your orientation:

The review is part of the overall planning process for Spring 2027, which includes the following key milestones:

31 August: Deadline for proposals for additional elective courses for Spring 2027 and any revisions to course allocations (Study Board).

7-18 September: Collection of planning information from activity coordinators.

22 September-7 October: Study.ruc.dk open for editing and updating course information, including course descriptions (Activity Coordinators).

8 October: Deadline for approval of course descriptions for Spring 2027 (Study Board).

13 November: Distribution of Study.ruc.dk links for review of the teaching timetable and course planning by instructors.

1-15 December: Student course registration period.

Punkt 10: Thematic discussion - student input on employability activities - 20 minutes

Beslutning

The item is postponed to the next meeting. Per will prepare proper facilitation of the discussion and we will make sure to invite Panagotia, who contributed to the list of ideas on how to improve student employability.

Per and Panagotia have prepared some ideas to discuss.

Punkt 13: Overview of and status on study board themes and cases - if time in the agenda!

Beslutning

The item was postponed.

Task- if time in the agenda!

The board is continuing the work of reviewing the list of themes and cases in order to decide:

1. if ideas mentioned by the board before 2025 are to be considered current initiatives or as no longer relevant.
2. if ideas on course evaluations are still relevant

Punkt 14: Any other business - 5 minutes

Beslutning

Nothing to this item.

