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Punkt x: Lukket

Punkt 1: Approval of the agenda

Beslutning

Present:

Laura Horn (chair), Lone Riisgaard, Thorkil Casse, Sofie Würtz, Klaas Dykmann (Head of Studies, IS), Line Engbo Gissel, Lone Riisgaard, Sevasti Chatzopoulou, Thomas Køier and Markus-Michael Müller at item 10.

Absent: Somdeep Sen

The agenda was approved with the following changes:

Agenda aproved.

Punkt 2: Approval of minutes from the May meeting

Beslutning

The Minutes are approved.

Item 9.
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Item 10

A bit more context for the item.

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May Minute

Punkt 3: Orientation from the chair

Course name: Divercity: An audio-visual ethnography of migration in urban settings

Beslutning

The board has not yet been informed regarding the replacement of Thomas as the new secretary. Helle Warburg will be responsible for inviting the members to the meetings for the next semester.

Sevasti has expressed concerns regarding the support available for study leaders after the reduction in administrative staff. She highlighted that the current administrative team lacks the competencies previously possessed by Thomas, which could pose challenges for the study leaders in the upcoming semester.

The study board strongly encourages all study leaders to actively participate in the meetings to address such issues.

Laura provided an update on the ethnography on migration course organized by Eric Honalo and Tatiana Fogelman. While they secured funds from Euroa, they inadvertently omitted to inform the study board about the course, resulting in its exclusion from the official course offer. As a result, it has been concluded that the course will not be offered.

Moving forward, the board aims to ensure improved communication with educators regarding the course offer process. The course offer process will be presented to the board in the next meeting, along with the formulation of a communication plan directed towards educators and study leaders.

To enhance coordination, the board proposes that the away day for each program be held each semester. This measure will foster better collaboration and planning for future offerings.

Punkt 4: Number of places offered on master programs

The material will be distributed on Wednesday, the 21st, allowing us to present the most up-to-date numbers. Thomas will have access to numbers for IMT, IKH and INM.

Beslutning

The board expressed great satisfaction with the presented numbers. Sevasti specifically expressed her contentment regarding the IPG "Ja-Tak" tally. However, there is an awareness among the board members regarding the format of certain courses that may result in a larger number of students. Additionally, it is important to monitor the enrollment of BAL students in method courses to ensure a balanced distribution.

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Punkt 5: Number of applicants for elective courses

Beslutning

Regarding enrollment, it should be noted that the enrollment offices have changed their practice regarding automatic admission. Students no longer receive automatic admission if they have not signed up.

In terms of the Global and Local Change course within the GDS program, the board supports Bodil's recommendation to cancel it. However, for the method courses, the board recommends keeping all of them due to the number of students who need to choose a new method.

Moving forward, the board expresses the desire to set a cap on courses and requests to be presented with the number of students. This topic will be further discussed in the August meeting under the course offer process item. Additionally, there is a need for closer coordination between the method courses across programs.

Klaas raises the ongoing request for the opportunity to prioritize courses in STADS, as it would improve the distribution of students.

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Punkt 6: Course Offer E23 - Recommendation to the Pro-Dean regarding cancelled courses

The Board is requested to utilize the applicant numbers presented in item 5 to formulate a recommendation to the Prodekan concerning the course offer E23.

Beslutning

See item 5

Punkt 7: Lukket

Punkt 8: Credit transfer

During our previous meeting, the board made a decision to allocate time in the current meeting for the purpose of discussing principles related to credit transfer.

Beslutning

The board engaged in a discussion regarding the acceptance of courses as credit transfer for projects. The Office of Credit Transfer has provided information stating that it is not possible to establish a principle where courses can replace a project at RUC. Therefore, the board cannot make any principled decisions in this regard, and individual assessments will need to be conducted.

The board decided to carefully review the course descriptions and ensure that all credit transfer applications include course descriptions for approval. There is also an acknowledgment of the importance of maintaining a focus on student retention.

The board emphasized the significance of the new responsible party handling credit transfers. As an action item, the board intends to invite the Office of Credit Transfer (Uddannelses jura) to the upcoming meeting.

Punkt 9: Norms courses

Item continued from last meeting.

"During the board meeting, a significant topic of discussion revolved around the maximum number of lecture sessions allowed for master-level courses. After considering various alternatives, the board ultimately decided against proposing any changes to the existing regulations. One suggestion that emerged during the discussion was the possibility of converting some lectures into tutorial sessions.

However, following the information presented by Bodil, it became apparent that the recommended number of maximum lectures might need to be adjusted. The proposed guidelines are as follows:

For 5 ECTS courses: a maximum of 10 sessions. For 10 courses: a maximum of 12 sessions.

In addition, when it comes to project work, it was stressed that careful consideration should be given to determining the appropriate amount of time allocated for exams, lectures, and supervision, taking into account the number of hours per student.

Regarding supervision, a general norm should be established for 15 ECTS projects and 10 ECTS projects.

The board has decided to formally address this matter as a decision item during the June meeting, ensuring that further deliberation and a final resolution can be reached at that time."

Beslutning

No decision was taken at this item, due to lacking guidelines from the institute management.

Punkt 10: Foundation course

Marcus-Michael Müller will come to the studyboard meeting to provide an overview of the evaluations and discuss how to best revise the course, both in terms of the structure and exam format

Beslutning

Marcus responded to the evaluations and acknowledged the issues raised by the students regarding the pillar structure. He agrees that there are problems with the pillar structure, and it aligns with the formulation in the exam assignment.

Marcus suggests that there should be a change in the description of the overall objective in the study regulation of the course.

The board recommends that the GDS (Gender and Diversity Studies) group be included in the process of joining the course and providing input to ensure its quality and inclusivity.

As an action point, Laura will contact Somdeep to initiate this process

Punkt 11: Items for next meeting

Beslutning

Meeting culture in August.

Punkt 12: Meetings next semester

Beslutning

Alle months last wednesday in the month from 13.30 closed meeting from 13.30-16.00 normal meeting

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Every month, the board holds a closed meeting on the last Wednesday from 13:00 to 13:30 followed by a regular meeting from 13:30-16.00

The meeting in August will take place on the 30/8 from 9.00-12.00

The meeting scheduled for December will take place on the 13th.

Punkt 13: Any other business