Would you like to help strengthen and develop the good work environment at Aarhus University to ensure the right balance between well-being and efficiency? Would you like to advise and provide input to management on occupational health and safety and contribute to the strategic development of our workplace – while inspiring and motivating your colleagues?

Aarhus University is looking for occupational health and safety representatives.

**A COMMITTED COLLEAGUE WHO TAKES RESPONSIBILITY AND CONtributes TO CREATING A GOOD WORKPLACE**

As an occupational health and safety representative, you represent your colleagues and play an important role in developing a good work environment in collaboration with managers. Your primary task is to liaise between staff and managers in relation to occupational health and safety. In practice, this means communicating information about working conditions to help create a good work environment.

The important tasks of the occupational health and safety representative include:

- analysing and preventing work-related injuries
- planning and performing specific tasks relating to improving the work environment
- participating in the local workplace assessment (WPA) process

**INTEREST, INSIGHT AND INFLUENCE – PLUS PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

As the voice of your colleagues, you help to ensure staff involvement and co-determination in matters aimed at strengthening the work environment in the workplace. You take a keen interest in the way people work and are on close terms with your colleagues, and you have a clear sense of what contributes to the quality of their working lives.

The role of occupational health and safety representative is exciting and offers you both insight and influence as part of an extensive network. As an occupational health and safety representative, you will influence the development of Aarhus University as a workplace – while also developing your own professional and personal competencies.

In short, being an occupational health and safety representative at Aarhus University is your chance to make a positive difference – for your colleagues, for Aarhus University and for yourself.

**STAND FOR ELECTION – WE NEED DEDICATED PEOPLE**

All staff members who have worked at AU for at least nine months are eligible for election as occupational health and safety representatives. All you have to do is stand for election in the area where you work, and which is covered by the occupational health and safety group – such as part of a department/school. The nomination period is 6 December 2017 to 8 January 2018.

Occupational health and safety representatives are elected for three years at a time (1 March 2018 to 28 February 2021). The three-year term makes it possible for the occupational health and safety group to develop a satisfactory and efficient method of cooperation and to implement preventive and optimising occupational health and safety initiatives. Your tasks as an occupational health and safety representative are planned in cooperation with the manager in the occupational health and safety group.

**WANT TO JOIN IN AND FIND OUT MORE?**

If you are interested, and if you would like to learn more about the work of your local occupational health and safety group, do not hesitate to contact your occupational health and safety representative or visit the election website. We need people with experience as well as people who are new and curious. It may also be a good idea to talk to your colleagues about what they think characterises a good working life – and not least, what they expect from their occupational health and safety representative.

**ABOUT THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ORGANISATION AT AARHUS UNIVERSITY**

You can read more about the occupational health and safety organisation at Aarhus University and the election on the election website. Click and go to the website.

See you in Aarhus University’s occupational health and safety organisation!

Kind regards

Rector Brian Bech Nielsen,
chairman of the Main Occupational Health and Safety Committee