

Meeting on: 24 March 2023 from 11.00-12.00

Place: 1443-340

PhD committee meeting

Agenda

Participants: Birte Asmuß (chair, MGMT), Helena Skyt Nielsen (ECON), Torsten Kolind (SOCSCIBUS), Sven Kunisch (Observer, BTECH), Dorthe Kirkegaard Thomsen (PSY), Susanne Kier (LAW), Helene Helboe Pedersen (PS), Ida Braad Albek (PhD representative, PS), Jonathan Seb Salicath (PhD representative, LAW), Andrea Søndergaard Poulsen (PhD representative PSY), Simon Fuglsang (vice-chair PhD representative, SOCSCIBUS), Simone Lykke Tranholm Mouritzen (PhD representative, MGMT, Observer), Oliver Fuglsang Grooss (PhD representative BTECH), Niels Mejlgaard (PhD School Head), Randi Groslier Bjælde (Aarhus BSS HR & PhD)

Absent: Mathias Barding (PhD representative, ECON)

Aarhus BSS HR & Ph.d.

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Date: 17 April 2023

1. Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved without comments.

2. Briefing on the enrolment and recruitment of PhD students following the round of applications in spring 2023 by Niels Mejlgaard

A total of 379 applications were received for the spring of 2023 open call, and 68 applicants were assessed as qualified. This time 35 candidates are recommended for enrolment with grants, distributed as follows: ECON (9), MGMT (6), PS (8), PSY (5), BTECH (4), SOCSCIBUS (3). LAW did not recommend any candidates for enrolment. 33.67 of these are financed by the graduate school, 1.33 is externally funded.

Of the candidates offered enrolment, 14 are female and 21 are male. Approximately 50% are international candidates, and four candidates are offered enrolment in the 4 year scheme. Most of the candidates will be enrolled as per 1 September 2023.

The briefing on enrolment and recruitment in spring 2023 was noted.

3. Follow-up on the new onboarding programme by programme chairs

Each programme chair briefly mentioned the status of the onboarding programme at their PhD programme.

Link to the onboarding programme: <https://medarbejdere.au.dk/en/faculties/business-and-social-sciences/phd/onboarding>

All programmes have implemented all elements of the onboarding programme not already present, and the first impression is positive.

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BTECH: welcome meetings for all new students, including already enrolled students, will be carried out each semester. Aligned closely with the graduate school introduction day. An info folder has been made by the PhD students and regular meetings for PhD students are held monthly.

SOCSCIBUS: an info folder has been made to outline the formal and informal aspects of being a PhD student at the centres in the programme, in some of the centres a buddy is available for the students. Regular breakfast meetings every month.

PS: have implemented all the elements in the programme not already present.

LAW: have implemented all the elements in the programme not already present.

PSY: have implemented all the elements in the programme not already present, including what the mentoring relationship entails.

ECON: have implemented the few elements in the programme not already present. The PhD students have a formal social calendar with 4 social events during the year.

MGMT: have implemented the few elements in the programme not already present and updated the info folder. There is also an increased focus on the teaching part, so 2-4 weeks after start the students are invited to a talk about teaching possibilities, and there is a follow up meeting. Informal meetings with the programme chair 6-8 weeks after study start to talk things through have also been introduced.

4. The Graduate School Head invites ideas for workshops/seminars etc. regarding “Don’t steal my work” by Niels Mejlgaard

As mentioned at the constituent meeting in the PhD committee the workshop on “#Don’t steal my work” that was planned for the spring semester was postponed due to personnel changes at CED. The PhD committee was invited to give suggestions and ideas on how to proceed with the important discussion on “#Don’t steal my work”.

It was suggested to have a workshop for senior and junior staff on responsible authorship practices and idea collaboration. The workshop could contain a keynote, a panel discussion and group discussions with a case seen from both senior and junior perspective.

5. Written briefings enclosed on decisions made by the graduate school head upon delegation from the PhD committee at the constituent meeting in January 2023:

Appendix 1a: Assessment committees in the period 10 January 2023 to 13 March 2023

There were no comments to the written briefing.

6. Written briefing enclosed on current PhD numbers by Niels Mejlgaard
Appendix 2: PhD numbers for Aarhus BSS Graduate School per 15 March 2023

