



Minutes from Media Technology Study Board Meeting 2020.11 Aalborg, Wednesday December 16, 2020

Present members:

Claus B. Madsen (CBM),
Jesper Rindom Jensen (JRJ)
Rodrigo Ordonez (RO)
Olga Timcenko (OT)
Jon Ram Bruun-Pedersen (JRBP)
Stefan Nordborg Eriksen (SNE)
Victor Stan (VS)
Louise Dørr Nielsen (LDN)

Secretaries:

Annette Erichsen
Anne-Marie Rasmussen

Present non-members:

Mikkel Gede Hansen (MGH), observer, study counselor
Daniel Kierkegaard Andersen (DKA), observer study counselor

Absent:

Eva Triantafyllou (ET)
Hamzah Ziadeh (HZ)
Sára Janáčková (SJ)
Nis Ovesen (NOVE), observer
Dimitra Hadji-Popovski (DHP), observer, student
Jeppe Paaske (JP), observer, study counselor
Alexandru Cristian Chiritescu (ACC), observer, study counselor
Marlene Geer Lomborg (MGL), observer, study counselor

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3	Status on the action plan from meeting no. 2020.10
4	Study plan revision <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medialogy BSc.• Medialogy MSc.• Sound and Music Computing MSc., AAL• Sound and Music Computing, MSc., CPH• Service System Design MSc.• Lighting Design MSc.
5	Self-evaluation action plan <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medialogy BSc.• Medialogy MSc.• Sound and Music Computing MSc.• Service System Design MSc.• Lighting Design MSc.
6	Study board report 2020 (continued) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unemployment statistics
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11	Special task – students in risk of dropping out, October 2020
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1. Approval of the agenda and minutes

Approval of agenda: Approved

Approval of minute from the previous meeting: Approved

2. Information from the chairman

Dispensations regarding physical and online exams, Fall 2020

Right now all exams in January and February 2021 will be running online due to Corona. In the future we will expect to have physical exams again.

3. Status on the action plan from meeting no. 2020.10

Course / project grade statistics

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16.12.20: Not handled yet. **Remains in the action plan.**

Study board report 2020:

AMR vil sørge for at arkivere referatet fra dette møde i Workzone på det id-nr., som er meldt ud fra fakultetet.

16.12.20: Will be handled after this meeting. **To be removed from the action plan.**

Study environment, Fall 2019 – Spring 2020:

CBM will address the process with NOVE and Anne Christoffersen.

16.12.20: CBM has complained about the process to head of studies and Anne Christoffersen.

The physical environment issues are reported. The non-physical environment issues has been handled in the semester steering material. **To be removed from the action plan.**



4. Study plan revision

- **Medialogy B.Sc. and Medialogy M.Sc. AAL**
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- **Sound and Music Computing MSc. CPH**
- **Service System Design MSc.**
- **Lighting Design MSc.**

The Medialogy B.Sc. study plan is not yet approved from the faculty. We can expect a reply Spring 2021.

The Medialogy M.Sc. study plans are expected to be revised in 2021.

Nothing further to note.

Topic for the next meeting: AMR will remember to add the topic in the agenda.

5. Self-evaluation action plan

- **Medialogy B.Sc. and Medialogy M.Sc.**
- **Sound and Music Computing M.Sc.**
- **Service Systems Design M.Sc.**
- **Lighting Design M.Sc. (encl.)**

Head of studies and CBM has had meetings regarding this topic. Most actions relates to intake figures, drop out figures and employability.

In 2021 we will produce new self-evaluation documents and start the new period.

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6. Study board report 2020 (continued)

Unemployment statistics:

The study board has received the figures regarding unemployment statistics. See attachment.

This is the data that was lacking in the study board report handled in the last meeting.

We have 5 educations represented in the document and 4 of them are in the red. It is critically nessecary to lowering these figures. The programs will suffer with dimensioning if not handled with success soon. The strategy is to fight for more external collaboration and keep the PR running to inform about our programs.

And we do not see any Corona effect in the figures yet.

We had a debate about the graduates and their job possibilities. Danish students versus international students. Gradings. Are the students without job having good or less good grades. CBM: There is a LinkedIn task running right now where we try to locate where the graduates get into job. And actually we find nearly all the students in LinkedIn. Many of them work in the IT industry.

PR activities must have improved for some years that indicates high intake of students.

We also had a debate about the students with a high grade average before they start in the University – would it be easier for them to get a job. It is also important to give the students the tools to selfpromote their skills towards the industry. Many parameters could be looked at.



7. MED1 GameJam event – Kasper Rodil will participate in the meeting

CBM presented Kasper Rodil. Kasper is the carrier VIP in AAL, coordinating MED6 and also teaching the AVS course in MED1 among other things. Kasper organized the GameJam event in AAL in week 42 (the time between P0 and P1) together with other colleagues from MED1 and 6-8 students from upper semesters. It was intended to be a learning experience and a team building event. The aim was to create a unity game and to implement it during this week. The students were divided into groups. Every day the groups gave presentations about what they had made and learned. It culminated by the end of the week with awards and giving points per project. It was an element of the AVS course but also an element in the programming course but in fact it was also kind of a research activity for the “teachers”. It was a great experience, and the students gave good feedback.

It was a Medialogy, PBL and technology free activity. The students were in new groups and the groups would continue in P1 so it was a fine way to start the project.

If the AVS teachers will continue next year they might start the course with this event. We had a debate whether it is a good idea to start this in the beginning of the semester or in week 42, where the students are more familiar to each other. We also had a small debate about what the students can learn from an event like this.

Finally it seemed that the attendance in the GPRO course increased after this event.

8. Semester group meeting minutes, Fall 2020

AAL

MED1A SGM2 - no comments

MED7A SGM2 – some of the topics relates to the Corona situation. No further comments.

9. Semester descriptions, Spring 2021

CBM would normally read and comment the descriptions, but did not have the time to do it before this meeting. JRJ has made some comments.

JRJ comments regarding AAL:

First a general comment: In many descriptions the exam is centered around the topics in the lectures. It would be better to refer to the study regulations.

P.9 – MMA exam says it will be 15 minutes per student including 5 minutes deliberation. It should at least be 20 minutes.

P.11 – Programming course: exam online by teams. CBM: This sentence will be changed.

P.18 – DAE, big difference in the details, especially hand ins. Could be more explicit. How will the students be examined. Perhaps more elaborate.

P.30 – TPGD, modality says something about exams 1 month before handin. CBM: We need more information. The assignment will perhaps go public 1 month before handin. Maybe more explicit. See also under further details. Not very clear.

JRJ comments regarding CPH:

P.17 – ID, the prerequisites for hand in should be more detailed.

P.20 – MMA prerequisites for participation: none. The exam is based on a workshop report. A bit contradicting.



P.28 – TPGDD, the exam format text seems wrong.

P.39 – NDC, Examination under prerequisites for participation: it is mentioned "none", but the miniproject report seems to be a prerequisite. What happens if the miniproject is not handed in. Maybe revised.

P.46 – EI, Examination under prerequisites for participation: it is mentioned "none", but the miniproject report seems to be a prerequisite. What happens if the miniproject is not handed in. Maybe revised.

P.48 – SMSA, the description seems to lack prerequisites.

CBM: The descriptions needs more focus in the future. The last years we have more or less only focused on the exam formats. There will be a working group in 2021 that will work with templates like this to make them more align with other descriptions in the department.

The study board approves that the secretariat will continue the work.

10. Study program evaluations, 2020

The study board secretariat has received the study program evaluations for 2020. See attachment. The evaluations are also sent out to the program responsible staff.

We looked at these and the general comments are, that we should be seeking for more employment related content in the educations.

M.Sc. Medialogy, AAL:

CBM: it is a huge document, and hard to get the big picture. It seems that it is the graduates that are in a job mainly in the IT industry, that would use the energy to reply these surveys.

Students would have liked more reality. More external collaboration. Better career support. Quite consistent feedback. The practical element is really relevant.

In topic 6.2.6 you can find competence skills that our students have retrieved and been asking for.

M.Sc. Medialogy, CPH:

Very similar to the AAL document.

11. Special task – students in risk of dropping out, October 2020

The study board secretariat was contacted in the summer, where the central study guidance would like to make a survey by contacting some of our students in risk of dropping out, mainly due to Corona fatiqueness. We made the list of students that were fallen behind on ECTS points. In the attached document you can see that it has been handled and it was hard to get in contact with the students. It is not nessecarily Corona related. After this we could not get replies of what was debated, so we do not think that we gained what we had expected.

12. Extra admission criteria

CBM informs that we have reported the same admission criteria like last year.



13. Any other business

AMR: We will have a new Study Board Moodle intranet page for the period of 2021-2025. You will be informed of the link in the January meeting invitation.

AMR: The election 2020 is handled and we have been informed that 3 students from AAL and 3 students from CPH were elected in the Study Board from February 2021. 2 of the AAL students are re-elected.

CBM: We will have a Study Board meeting in January where we will say "goodbye and thank you for your effort" to the students that will not continue in the Study Board. And in the February meeting we will welcome the new members and elect the two positions: Chairman and vicechairman.



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Topics/actions to the next meeting agenda:

- Study plan revision
- Self-evaluation action plan
- New course in MED1 by Kasper Rodil
- Semester group meeting minutes from this meeting if needed