

Study Board for Public Health Science and Global Health



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Forum Study board for Public Health Science and Global Health

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Present

Signe Smith Jervelund, Terese Sara Høj Jørgensen, Jane Brandt Sørensen (left 11 am.), Anne Sofie Ginty, Karoline Huber Pedersen, Julia Anna Miller, Arunmia Raghav, Sofie Caroline Falkenberg Holm, Clara Lundmark Appel, Marie Tolver Nielsen, Tove Pedersen (adm.), Kristrún Lind Helgadóttir (adm.) and Julie Yndal (adm.)

Absent

Torben Heien Nielsen, Long Nguyen, Britt Pinkowski Tersbøl, Sandra Helene Andersen and Agoritsa Axarli

Agenda

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1. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the minutes from the last meeting (Annex 1)

The minutes from meeting 82 were approved.

3. Approval of the educational framework and exam schedule for PHS – Spring and Summer 2025 (Annex 2)

The educational framework and exam schedule for PHS were approved with a few comments:

Clara Appel asked about the class instructions for the course SFOB20008U Epidemiologi 2. There are 78 students being taught in the same class. Signe Jervelund noted that there are two teachers present during the classes. Signe will ask the course responsible how it works.

Signe Jervelund commented that the number of teaching hours for the course SFOK23008U Migration, diversity and health should be 40 instead of 30 (due to 10 ECTS). Additionally, the number of teaching hours for the course SFOK24001U Mixed methods in Public Health should be 20 instead of 25 (due to 5 ECTS). AUS will follow up with the course responsables.

4. Approval of the educational framework and exam schedule for GH – Spring and Summer 2025 (Annex 3)

The educational framework and exam schedule for GH were approved with a few comments:

Julie Miller noted that the course SGLK23005U Geo Information in Disaster Situations appears in the GH educational framework, but the students cannot for some reason take the course. AUS will follow up.

[Follow up from AUS: The students from GH is allowed to take the course but it is only offered in the Spring. AUS has informed the GH students in the study board]

5. Orientation and approval of the language for the elective course SFOK24001U Mixed methods in Public Health (Annex 4)

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It was approved that the language for the course SFOK24001U Mixed methods in Public Health is English.

6. Discussion of courses to be offered for Summer 2025

There are no new summer courses in the pipeline. The study board wants the summer course SGLK22001U Creating Healthy Cities to continue.

Follow-up: AUS has asked the course responsables if they have any requests for changes to the course. The study board will approve any requested changes at the study board meeting in September.

7. Revisit of the Fall meeting dates

The study board agreed on the following meeting dates in the Fall:

- a. Wednesday September 25, 13:00-15:00
- b. Friday October 25, 10:00-12:00 (*new date*)
- c. Monday November 18, 12:30-14:30 (*new date*)
- d. Tuesday December 10, 12:30-14:30
- e. Friday January 24, 12:30-14:30 (*new date*)

8. Orientation from the student group

- a) Global Health

Global Health study track

The students have made a survey about the study track process and shared it with their fellow students. It has been a frustrating process. Several students have had courses approved that they later found out they couldn't take. Overall, it has been very difficult to find courses.

The students requested an overview of the courses they can take.

In collaboration with AUS, Jane Sørensen will look into what can be done with the study tracks.

Julia Miller will check up on whether there are still students who lack courses for their track and forward the information to Tove Pedersen (AUS).

Reading courses hosted by Eye on Global Health

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Eye on Global Health is hosting a 6-week reading course 'Decolonising your (early) career'. Unfortunately, the course filled up, but there will be more to come. Here is an interest form where students can indicate their interest for

joining: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScM9R_xAeYYtljO2s7fNUL3hAfd7jwv3uIgU2BuR4ZXsb-Cug/viewform.

Julia Miller recommends following the page of Eye on Global Health on LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/eye-on-global-health/>.

b) Public Health Science

AMEE conference

Students from Public Health Science and Health Informatics have participated in this year's AMEE conference. The students from PHS have, among other things, attended talks on sustainability and how it can be incorporated in the courses. They will give a presentation about the trip in September.

New bachelor's students

The new bachelor's students have had a good start to their studies. They have just returned from their 'rustur'.

9. Orientation from Head of Studies

a) Britt Tersbøl (Jane Sørensen made the orientation)

New Global Health students

The new Global Health students are having introductory days these days. There are 47 new students enrolled in the program. The students come from 20 different countries, about 20% from non-EU countries. They will start having classes next week (week 36).

Collaboration with Africa

Jane Sørensen wants to look into a potential collaboration with Africa regarding scholarships.

b) Signe S. Jervelund

Minimum grade point average

The minimum GPA for entering the bachelor's program in PHS under quota 1 has increased from 8.9 in 2023 to 9.4 in 2024.

Graduation

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A graduation ceremony for the candidates from PHS will be held on Friday September 13th from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm.

Quota 2 Questions

A group needs to be formed to create questions for quota 2 applicants. The deadline for submitting the questions is November 7, 2024.

Two VIPs: Signe Jervelund and Terese Jørgensen

Two students: Clara Appel – and the student group will ask Anna Poole if she wants to participate in the work.

Electives

Signe Jervelund mentioned that she recently attended a management board meeting where it was discussed that the electives for Health Informatics, Global Health and Public Health Science could be shared.

Currently, the idea is to select 10 themes for the electives, with some themes dedicated to each program, but with a lot of overlap. All courses would be offered to all students in the three programs.

Signe Jervelund encouraged the students to consider relevant themes (not topics) and send them to her by September 9th.

New advisory boards at SUND

The advisory boards at SUND will change from January 1, 2025. There will be an advisory board for the public health area consisting of the programs Public Health Science, Health Informatics, Global Health, Master of Disaster Management and Master of Public Health.

Signe Jervelund asked the members of the study board to consider specific names or positions they would like to have in the new advisory board. The study board will discuss this further at the study board meeting in September.

English courses for students

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There will be held English courses for the students from both Public Health Science and Global Health.

Lecture: Reading for Academic Purposes

- **Participants:** Public Health Science (BA) and Global Health (MA)
- [Monday 23/9 from 15-17](#)
- CSS 35-01-44

Workshop 1: Oral Interaction for Non-native speakers of English

- **Participants:** About 60 persons. All Global Health students
- Will be held and room booked for [week 44, monday 28/10 from 13-15](#)
- CSS 25-01-53

Workshop 2: Oral Interaction for Non-native speakers of English

- **Participants:** 1. Semester MA-students from Public Health Science
- Will be held and room booked for [Thursday 3/10 from 15-17](#)
- CSS 35-3-12

Workshop 3: Oral Interaction for Non-native speakers of English

- **Participants:** 3. Semester MA-students from Public Health Science
- Will be held and room booked for [Friday 4/10 from 15-17](#)
- CSS 35-3-12

10. Discussion and approval of sharper criteria for admission to the PHS MA program (Annex 5 – Annex is in Danish)

Signe Jervelund presented a draft of sharper criteria for admission to the master's program in Public Health Science.

The study board decided that the courses 'Sundhedsøkonomi' and 'Intervention og evaluering' should not be included under specific course requirements.

The study board approved the draft. The study board also had suggestions for additional text that could be included to help potential applicants. The education coordinator has sent these suggestions along with the approved draft to the admissions department at AUS.

11. AOB

Follow-up from the student guidance at AUS: Unfortunately, it is not possible to add the contact information for the student guidance to the front page of KUnet, as the space is reserved for systems and IT.

12. Orientation from the exemption and credit transfer committees (Annex 6 – Confidential item – Annex is partly in Danish)

Tove Pedersen briefly informed the study board that cases about passed courses from previous education (startmerit) are currently being handled.

13. Case from the exemption committee (PHS) (Annex 7 – Confidential item – Annex is in Danish)

Confidential item.