Study Board for Public Health Science, Global Health and Health Informatics



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Forum Study Board for Public Health Science, Global Health and

Health Informatics

Meeting held 24 September 1 to 3 pm

Place CSS 2-1-24

Minute taker Julie Yndal

Present

PHS: Signe Smith Jervelund, Line Mathiesen, Long Nguyen, Torben Heien Nielsen (SAMF), Anne Helene Hammeken Lunding, Clara Lundmark Appel, Ester de Witte Vestergaard and Karoline Huber Pedersen

GH: Jane Brandt Sørensen, Lena Skovgaard Andersen, Amy Bethan Gibbs (online), Deniz Urgan Rrdem (observer), Hüma Nauroozi (observer), Lily Yeagley (observer) and Nephele Robertson (observer)

HI: Henriette Langstrup, Iben Mundbjerg Gjødsbøl, Tariq Osman Andersen (DIKU), Cecilie Løisemos, Jashana Jani Balakumar, Nanna Rath and Willads Ferdinand Pfeiffer

Adm.: Tove Pedersen and Julie Yndal

Absent

PHS: Anna Aastrup Poole

GH: Julia Anna Miller and Lisa Gawes

HI: Nicola Saggi Hjarsø

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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 the last meeting were approved.

3) Orientation from the exemption committee and the credit transfer committees (Annex 2)

- The course descriptions for the bachelor's project in Public Health Science (PHS) and Health Informatics (HI) must be updated, effective from the current academic year 2025-2026. Students are required to have completed 120 ECTS before they can register for the bachelor's project. The course description for the thesis in PHS must also be updated. Students are required to have completed 60 ECTS before they can register. There is no possibility to exempt from the requirements. [Julie Yndal has updated the course descriptions.]
- Students have been given the opportunity to apply for fieldwork in Kenya in collaboration with an NGO. A solution has been found so that it has been possible for students from PHS, GH and HI to participate.

4) Approval of the summer course SGLK22001U Creating Healthy Cities (Annex 3)

The Study Board approved the offering of the course in summer 2026 and the proposed changes to the course description.

5) Establishment of quota 2 and MSc admissions committees (PHS, GH and HI)

Public Health Science and Health Informatics established quota 2 and MSc admissions committees.

An MSc committee was not established for Global Health. Jane B. Sørensen will coordinate with colleagues from the department and with students.

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6) Students' declaration of use of GAI (Annex 4)

From September 2025, students must declare whether they have used GAI during written exams where all aids are allowed. The Study Board discussed the requirement for declaration. The following points were discussed:

- There is a need for clearer guidelines on when and how GAI may be used.
- Students and course coordinators feel they have not been sufficiently informed.
- How should information about students' use of GAI be used by the course coordinators in their assessment?
- How should exams be assessed when some have used GAI and others have not?
- The GAI declaration is not a dialogue tool as claimed.
- How do UCPH take responsibility for preparing students for 'the real world' in terms of using GAI in the most appropriate way?
- Could students be reluctant to disclose their use if they fear it will negatively affect their grade?
- Declaring use takes time away from the assignment.
- Can course coordinators use GAI as a justification if a student is appealing about the exam?
- The GAI change is significant and challenging to adapt to for course coordinators, since they can only modify the exam form starting from the next academic year.
- It is challenging for the students when course coordinators have different approaches.
- All course coordinators must be explicit and clear about how students are allowed to use GAI in their course. Expectations and guidelines must be communicated clearly and written down by the course coordinators.

The Heads of Studies will draft a letter to Vice-Dean for Education Jørgen Kurtzhals with the Study Board's discussions and concerns.

7) Workshop on sustainability (Annex 5)

a. The Study Board must choose representatives for a sustainability workshop on 21 November 2025.

Line Mathiesen, Signe S. Jervelund, Iben M. Gjødsbøl, Henriette Langstrup and Jane B. Sørensen have signed up for the workshop. The students will ask in the study councils if anyone can participate.

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8) Approval of the cancellation of the elective course <u>SFOK21004U</u> <u>Sundhedsprofessioner i forandring. Et sociologisk perspektiv</u> in spring 2026

The Study Board approved the cancellation of the course in spring 2026. New course coordinators will take over Inge Kryger's electives at a later time.

9) Evaluation presentation of the Public Health Science mentor program by PHS students

The students shared feedback on the evaluation of the mentor program. Both mentors and mentees have been happy with the arrangement. The students are concerned about finding new mentors, as many of the current ones will be going on exchange, and there is great demand for the program.

10) Orientation from the students (PHS, GH and HI)

No orientations.

11) Orientation from the Heads of Studies (PHS, GH and HI) Signe S. Jervelund (PHS):

- There has been a misunderstanding regarding the planning of the elective <u>SFOK09103U Infectious Disease Epidemiology</u> this autumn. A new plan has been made to ensure that the students receive the teaching they are supposed to.
- Signe S. Jervelund asked the students from Public Health Science if they could ask in the study council whether one or more students are interested in joining the hiring committees at the department.
- Signe S. Jervelund asked whether a course on health complexities would be interesting to the students from PHS, GH and HI. If it is interdisciplinary, it could be relevant to all programmes.
- The questions for the dialogue evaluation of the courses have been revised. The new questions will take effect from spring 2026.

Jane B. Sørensen (GH):

 As part of the curriculum revision process for the study year 2026-2027, Global Health wishes to eliminate the heavy administration behind the study tracks and change the placement of two mandatory courses.

Henriette Langstrup (HI):

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- The development of the course <u>SITB25002U Kvalitetssikring og</u> <u>informationssikkerhed i digital sundhed</u> is in progress.
- The students from Health Informatics wish to keep their career evening in autumn.

12) AOB

a. Cabin trip/hyttetur for Health Informatics students

The tutors for Health Informatics found out late that the clinic visit for new students was scheduled on the same day as their planned cabin trip. Going forward, the cabin trip will be held in week 36 or 38, while week 37 will be reserved for the clinic visit. [Julie Yndal will specify this in the teaching curriculum.]