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Faculty Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences

Meeting No 1/2023

Meeting date 25 January 2023

Date and time 25 January 2023, 14:02 - 14:53

Place/venue ME201 + Teams

Participants	Role	Present for items
Members		
Pihlajamäki Jussi	Dean, Chair	1-9
Levonen Anna-Liisa	1 st Vice Dean, Vice Chair	Absent
Kauppinen Anu	Professor, member	1-9
Rautio Jarkko	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Häggman-Laitila Arja	Professor, member	1-9
Malm Tarja	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Jääskeläinen Jarmo	Professor, member	Absent
Keski-Nisula Leea	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Tuomainen Tomi-Pekka	Professor, member	1-9
Peltomäki Timo	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Heinäniemi Merja	Professor, member	Absent
Tohka Jussi	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Jalkanen Aaro	Staff, member	1-9
Huttunen Kristiina	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Kotikumpu Kari	Staff, member	1-9
Parviainen Anndra	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Heikkilä Reeta	Staff, member	Absent
Sutinen Tiina	Staff, deputy member	1-9
Lahtela-Kakkonen Maija	Staff, member	1-9



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Savinainen Juha	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Toroi Riitta-Liisa	Staff, member	1-9
Kanninen Katja	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Leppäkynnäs Arttu	Student, member	1-9
Nurmela Veera	Student, deputy member	1-9
Tupala Ossi	Student, member	1-9
Özdemir Hande	Student, deputy member	Absent
Owusu-Serchire Theresa	Student, member	1-9
Ritajoki Tarmo	Student, deputy member	1-9
Lipponen Samuli	Student, member	1-9
Pajunen Veera	Student, deputy member	Absent
Karppi Lassi	Student, member	1-9
Saarinen Perttu	Student, deputy member	Absent
Ollikainen-Richards Hanna	Executive Head of Administration, secretary, preparer	1-9
Other preparers		
Järvelin-Pasanen Susanna	Head of Student Services	1-9
Karvonen Annika	Amanuensis	Absent
Virolainen Irja	Financial Coordinator	1-9



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§ 1

Opening of the meeting

The chair opened the meeting at 14:02.

§ 2

Legitimacy and presence of a quorum

According to the University Regulations, meeting notices of a multi-member administrative organ must be sent at least seven days prior to the meeting, unless the administrative organ has decided otherwise.

The meeting notice was sent on 18 January 2023.

According to the University Regulations, multi-member organs of the university have a quorum when at least half of the members, including the chair, are present. By the decision of the chair, a multi-member administrative organ can hold its meeting by email or, either fully or in part, via a video conference, telephone, or some other remote participation means. The chair has decided that the meeting be organised as a hybrid meeting: ME201 + Teams.

Motion The meeting is deemed lawful and quorate. The agenda is approved.

Decision As proposed.



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§ 3

Grading Henriikka Hakomäki's (MSc) doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (01/08/2018), the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 13.4 of the standing rules of the Faculty of Health Sciences on degrees and studies, doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale fail – pass – pass with distinction. Passing with distinction requires that two of the three examiners (preliminary examiners and opponent) propose this grade.

MSc Henriikka Hakomäki's doctoral dissertation and study "[Buprenorphine in pregnant sheep: maternal pharmacokinetics, fetal exposure, and CNS distribution](#)" was examined publicly on 13 January 2023. The opponent, Professor Miia Turpeinen (University of Oulu), supports the approval of the dissertation as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Docent Tuomas Lilius (University of Helsinki) and Professor Anne Smits (University Hospitals Leuven), are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and propose the grade Pass.

According to section 44 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), before a doctoral dissertation is graded, the author must be given an opportunity to submit his or her response to the preliminary examiner's, the examiner's or the opponent's statement. The doctoral candidate has no



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comments on the statements. The statements of the preliminary examiners and the opponent are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

According to section 29 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), a study attainment may be assessed only by those members or deputy members of a multi-member administrative body who have a degree or completed study attainments of an equivalent level or who have been appointed professors.

Motion Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MSc Henriikka Hakomäki's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- 1 Esitarkastaja_Lilius_lausunto_Hakomäki
- 2 Preliminary examiner_Smits_statement_Hakomäki
- 3 Vastaväittäjä_Turpeinen_lausunto_Hakomäki



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§ 4

Grading Karthik Sampath Kumar Chary's (MSc) doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (01/08/2018), the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 13.4 of the standing rules of the Faculty of Health Sciences on degrees and studies, doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale fail – pass – pass with distinction. Passing with distinction requires that two of the three examiners (preliminary examiners and opponent) propose this grade.

MSc Karthik Sampath Kumar Chary's doctoral dissertation and study "[Advanced MRI approaches for characterization of tissue microstructural changes in experimental traumatic brain injury](#)" was examined publicly on 13 January 2023. The opponent, Associate Professor Tim Durby (Technical University of Denmark) supports the approval of the dissertation as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Associate Professor Ferdinand Schweser (University of Buffalo) and Associate Professor Elizabeth Hutchinson (University of Arizona), are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and propose the grade Pass.

According to section 44 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), before a doctoral dissertation is graded, the author must be given an opportunity to submit his or her response to the preliminary examiner's, the



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examiner's or the opponent's statement. The doctoral candidate has no comments on the statements. The statements of the preliminary examiners and the opponent are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

According to section 29 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), a study attainment may be assessed only by those members or deputy members of a multi-member administrative body who have a degree or completed study attainments of an equivalent level or who have been appointed professors.

Motion Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MSc Karthik Sampath Kumar Chary's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- 4 Opponent_Dyrby_statement_Chary
- 5 Preliminary examiner_Hutchinson_statement_Chary
- 6 Preliminary examiner_Schweser_statement_Chary

Record entry No 991/03.01.00/2022

Prepared by Susanna Järvelin-Pasanen

§ 5

Proposal to the UEF Board on the student intake of the Faculty of Health Sciences in student admissions 2023 and 2024

According to section 14(10) of the Universities Act (558/2009), the board of a public university is responsible for deciding on the number of students to be admitted to the university.

The schools, departments, and units of the Faculty of Health Sciences have prepared a proposal for the study programmes and student intake of the faculty, as specified in the appendix. The UEF Board will confirm the student intake (the maximum intake by faculty). The intake for each study programme will be confirmed annually when the admission criteria are approved or modified.

The Faculty of Health Sciences proposes to the UEF Board that it approves the student intake of the faculty to be a total of 750 study places in 2023 and a total of 800 study places in 2024.

Motion

The Faculty Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences proposes to the UEF Board that it approves the student intake of the faculty to be a total of 750 study places in 2023 and a total of 800 study places in 2024. More detailed student intake for each study programme will be confirmed annually when the admission criteria are approved or modified.



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Decision As proposed.

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Record entry No 1232/03.00.00/2020

Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§ 6

The proposal of the Doctoral Programme of Clinical Research, including dentistry, to update the Finnish and English names of the doctoral programme

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will decide, within the scope of the faculty's educational responsibility, on the launch of a new major subject and shutting down of an existing one. This task of the Faculty Council also applies to changes to the names of doctoral programmes.

The Doctoral Programme of Clinical Research, including dentistry, proposes that its Finnish name be changed from Kliininen tohtoriohjelmanl. hammaslääketiede to Kliininen tohtoriohjelmanl. The doctoral programme also proposes that its English name be changed from Doctoral Programme of Clinical Research to Doctoral Programme in Clinical Research. The proposal of the Doctoral Programme of Clinical Research, including dentistry, and its grounds are enclosed with the agenda item as an appendix. The change is proposed to take effect immediately and to apply to all student rights of the Doctoral Programme of Clinical Research, including dentistry.

Motion The Faculty Council verifies the change of the Finnish and English names of the Doctoral Programme of Clinical Research, including dentistry, in accordance with the proposal.

Decision As proposed.



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§ 7

Faculty budget for 2023

According to section 9(1) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will discuss and issue a statement on the faculty's strategy and budget.

The UEF Board approved on 14 December 2022 the university's budget for 2023:

https://studentuef.sharepoint.com/sites/heimo_fi/palvelut/talousarvio-ja-strategia/Sivut/etusivu.aspx

The funding of faculties has been allocated in accordance with the principles verified by the Board for the internal allocation of funds. The funding of faculties consists of indicator-based funding, strategic funding based on the development plans of the faculties, and other agreed items allocated based on strategic principles. As regards external funding, minimum targets have been specified for each faculty.

The 2023 budget of the Faculty of Health Sciences is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix.

The basic funding of the 2023 budget of the Faculty of Health Sciences (subsidies), totalling EUR 36.6 million, consists of:

- funding allocated through the funding model

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- funding for additional study places
- programme-based funding of the Ministry of Education and Culture
- strategic funding allocated by the University
- Strategy-based funding of the faculties

The total cost of the basic funding in the 2023 budget of the faculty is EUR 1.9 million higher than in the 2022 budget.

The target level of external funding of the Faculty of Health Sciences for 2023 is EUR 30.5 million. The schools and departments of the faculty have budgeted the revenue from external funding to be EUR 28 million, in addition to which the faculty has estimated the amount of investment grants to be EUR 1.5 million. The estimated change in the funds is EUR 1.0 million. The estimated revenue from overheads is EUR 6.5 million in the budget (basic funding: internal revenue, revenue from overheads) is based on the budgeting of external funding of the schools and departments of the faculty in 2023.

The University reserves EUR 3.5 million (0% VAT) for investments that will be fully funded with basic funding, of which EUR 1.3 million (0% VAT) is available to the Faculty of Health Sciences.

Motion The budget of the Faculty of Health Sciences for 2023 is marked for information.

Decision As proposed.



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For information

After the previous Faculty Council meeting held on 13 December 2022, the Dean or the Vice Dean has approved the following doctoral theses (statements of the opponents and preliminary examiners are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices):

Jari Heiskanen, internal medicine, 14 December 2022, approved

Lasse Hämäläinen, cell biology, 14 December 2022, approved

Jenni Hämäläinen, nursing science, 14 December 2022, approved

Sarang Qazi, surgery, 14 December 2022, approved

Sirpa Tölli, nursing science, 21 December 2022, approved

Siiri Isokääntä, anesthesiology and intensive care, 22 December 2022, approved

Sarianna Joukainen, surgery, 9 January 2023, approved

University's degree Statistics 2022 (preliminary).

Motion Marked for information.

Decision As proposed.

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- 11 Esitarkastaja_Kylmä_lausunto_Tölli
- 12 Vastaväittäjä_Jahkola_lausunto_Joukainen
- 13 Vastaväittäjä_Karlsson_lausunto_Isokääntä
- 14 Esitarkastaja_Koskivuo_lausunto_Joukainen
- 15 Esitarkastaja_Kylmä_lausunto_Tölli
- 16 Esitarkastaja_Meretoja_lausunto_Joukainen
- 17 Esitarkastaja_Puura_lausunto_Isokääntä
- 18 Opponent_Strandberg_statement_Qazi
- 19 Esitarkastaja_Vasankari_lausunto_Isokääntä
- 20 Vastaväittäjä_Koivunen_lausunto_tölli
- 21 Esitarkastaja_Heikkilä_lausunto_Hämäläinen
- 22 Esitarkastaja_Suhonen_lausunto_Tölli
- 23 Preliminary examiner_Nikander_statement_Qazi
- 24 Vastaväittäjä_Salo_lausunto_Hämäläinen
- 25 Preliminary examiner_Nuotio_statement_Qazi
- 26 Esitarkastaja_Mikkonen_lausunto_Hämäläinen
- 27 Esitarkastaja_Malmivaara_lausunto_Heiskanen
- 28 Vastaväittäjä_Paakkonen_lausunto_Hämäläinen
- 29 Preliminary_Examiner_Poumay_statement_Hämäläinen
- 30 Esitarkastaja_Tiirinki_lausunto_Heiskanen
- 31 Esitarkastaja_Nissinen_lausunto_Hämäläinen
- 32 Vastaväittäjä_Forma_lausunto_Heiskanen



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§ 9

Closing of the meeting

The chair closed the meeting at 14:53.



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§ 10

Translation of the agenda/minutes

The English translation of the agenda/minutes of the meeting is attached to the agenda.

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