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Place/venue

MD300 + Teams

Participants	Role	Present for items
Members		
Pihlajamäki Jussi	Dean, Chair	1-2, 4-8, 10-13
Levonen Anna-Liisa	1st Vice Dean, Vice Chair	1-3, 9
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Rautio Jarkko	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Häggman-Laitila Arja	Professor, member	1-13
Malm Tarja	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Jääskeläinen Jarmo	Professor, member	Absent
Keski-Nisula Leea	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Tuomainen Tomi-Pekka	Professor, member	1-8, 10-13
Peltomäki Timo	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Heinäniemi Merja	Professor, member	1-13
Tohka Jussi	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Jalkanen Aaro	Staff, member	1-13
Huttunen Kristiina	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Kotikumpu Kari	Staff, member	Absent
Parviainen Anndra	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Heikkilä Reeta	Staff, member	1-13



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Sutinen Tiina	Staff, deputy member	1-13
Lahtela-Kakkonen Maija	Staff, member	1-13
Savinainen Juha	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Toroi Riitta-Liisa	Staff, member	1-13
Kanninen Katja	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Leppäkynnäs Arttu	Student, member	1-13
Nurmela Veera	Student, deputy member	1-13
Tupala Ossi	Student, member	1-13
Özdemir Hande	Student, deputy member	Absent
Owusu-Serchire Theresa	Student, member	Absent
Ritajoki Tarmo	Student, deputy member	1-13
Lipponen Samuli	Student, member	Absent
Pajunen Veera	Student, deputy member	Absent
Karppi Lassi	Student, member	1-13
Saarinen Perttu	Student, deputy member	Absent
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	preparer	

Other preparers		
Järvelin-Pasanen Susanna	Head of Student Services	1-6
Karvonen Annika	Amanuensis	1-13



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§ 1

Opening of the meeting

The chair opened the meeting at 14:00.



§2

Legitimacy and presence of a quorum

In accordance with the University Regulations, meeting notices of a multimember 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 15 March 2022.

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: MD300 + Teams.

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

Decision As proposed.



Record entry 749/01.01.02/2023

Prepared by Hanna Ollikainen-Richards

§3

The post of a Professor of nutrition (population nutrition and nutrition interventions), description of the post to invite Research Director Jaana Lindström to the post until further notice: Hearing of the Faculty Council

> In its strategic human resources plan for 2023–2025, the School of Medicine, the Institute of Public Health and Clinical Nutrition proposes that a part-time (20%) post of a professor of nutrition (population nutrition and nutrition interventions) be filled at the institute.

The Institute proposes that the post be filled through an invitation procedure so that Jaana Lindström will be invited to the post from 1 August 2023 onwards until further notice.

The proposed grounds for the invitation procedure are:

Jaana Lindström has received a PhD (public health) in 2007 from the University of Helsinki. She was awarded the title of docent in public health in 2010 by the University of Helsinki.

Jaana Lindström is currently Head of Research, Team Leader and Deputy Head of Unit at THL. She has worked as a specialist researcher (2007– 2010) and a nutritional researcher (1998–2007) at the University of Helsinki and as a research assistant at the University of Kuopio and at THL (1993–1998). She has also worked as a postdoctoral researcher at THL and in Germany at the Dresden University of Technology (2009-2011).



Jaana Lindström's list of publications contains 199 original international articles. She has supervised five doctoral dissertations and was the main supervisor of two of these. She is currently supervising three doctoral dissertations and is the main supervisor of two of these. Jaana Lindström has served as a preliminary examiner of four doctoral dissertations outside Finland. She has also been active in other academic expert positions. During her career as a researcher, Jaana Lindström has, either alone or as a member of the consortium, acquired more than EUR 2.0 million of research funding.

Jaana Lindström's CV and list of publications are enclosed with thia agenda item as an appendix.

Based on the above grounds, Jaana Lindström meets the requirements set for the invitation procedure as regards the post of a Professor, nutrition (population nutrition and nutrition interventions).

According to section 33(2) of the Universities Act (558/2009), the professorship may be filled by invitation without a public notice of vacancy when an academically distinguished person is being invited to take the position or a candidate is appointed to the position for a fixed period. Only a person who indisputably fulfils the qualification requirements may be appointed to the post by invitation.

According to section 31(1) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, a person to be appointed to a professorship shall be scientifically or artistically qualified have good teaching skills and, if



important for attending to the duties, practical familiarity with the field of the post.

According to section 9 (6) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will discuss proposals on the scope and specifications of the post of a professor and, according to section 10 (5) of the same, the Dean will decide on the scope and specifications of the post of a professor after hearing the Faculty Council. The Dean will appoint experts to provide statements on those who have applied for or have been invited to the post of a professor (section 10(6) of the UEF University Regulations).

The description of the post of a Professor of nutrition (population nutrition and nutrition interventions) is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix). The description of the post includes the scope and specifications of the post as required by the UEF University Regulations. The description of the post requires that the person to be appointed to the post has practical familiarity with the field of the post.

The description of the post also includes a proposal that the invitation procedure is used to fill in the post and Jaana Lindström be invited to it. Her consent is enclosed with the agenda item as an appendix.

MotionThe Faculty Council will address the proposal for the scope and
specifications of the post.



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Decision As proposed. Chair Jussi Pihlajamäki did not participate in the processing of the matter (disqualified due to a special reason).

Appendices

1	Consent to use the invitation procedure, Lindström
2	CV, Lindström Jaana
3	List of publications, Lindström Jaana

4 Description of the post, nutrition



Record entry 750/01.01.03/2023

Prepared by Hanna Ollikainen-Richards

§4

Three part time (30%) posts of a Professor/Associate Professor of Clinical Research (tenure track), description of the post: Hearing of the Faculty Council

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will discuss proposals regarding the scope and specifications of posts that comply with the four-stage career model of the faculty's permanent teaching and research staff and Tenure Track positions.

In their strategic human resources plan, the School of Medicine and the Institute of Clinical Medicine of the University of Eastern Finland propose that three part-time (30%) post of a Professor/Associate Professor of Clinical Research (Tenure Track) will be filled at the institute.

The posts will be hosted by the Faculty of Health Sciences, the School of Medicine, the Institute of Clinical Medicine.

According to the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, a person to be appointed to a professorship shall be scientifically or artistically qualified, have good teaching skills and, if important for attending to the duties, have practical familiarity with the field of the post.



A person to be appointed as an associate professor in the tenure track in accordance with the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland shall hold a suitable doctoral degree and have good teaching skills. Furthermore, the person shall have the prerequisites to fulfil the qualification requirements of a professor by the end of the tenure track term.

The post of a Professor will be filled until further notice starting on 1 October 2023 at the earliest. In the case of an Associate Professor (Tenure Track), the post will be filled for a four-year term starting on 1 October 2023 at the earliest. The post is filled for a fixed term due to it being a Tenure Track position.

The criteria, objectives and results to be achieved during the term in order to proceed to the next level of the Tenure Track (Professor) will be agreed upon in detail with the person appointed to the Associate Professor position when the contract of employment is signed.

The description of the post of a Professor/Associate Professor of clinical research (Tenure Track) (Appendix) includes the scope and specifications of the post as required by the UEF University Regulations.

Motion The Faculty Council will discuss the description of the post.

Decision As proposed.

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Description of the post, Professor or Associate Professor of Clinical Research



Record entry No 5/03.00.01/2023

Prepared by Susanna Järvelin-Pasanen

§ 5

Confirming the curriculum for the minor subject study module in toxicology for the academic years 2023–2025

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will make decisions concerning curricula and degree requirements.

The School of Pharmacy, toxicology, has prepared a curriculum for the minor subject study module for the academic years 2023 –2025. The minor subject studies in Toxicology are only available for environmental health and technology students. A maximum of ten (10) students will be admitted annually.

The School of Pharmacy, toxicology, proposes that the curriculum for the minor subject study module in toxicology (25 ECTS) be confirmed for the academic years 2023–2025. The structure of the minor subject module is enclosed with the agenda item as an appendix. The courses of the module are included in the degrees of the Bachelor of Science (Pharmacy), Master of Science (Pharmacy), or Master of Science (Toxicology). Consequently, the descriptions of the courses included in the study module have been approved at the Faculty Council meeting 23 February 2023 when the curricula for the School of Pharmacy were confirmed (record entry 5/03.00.01/2023).



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Motion	The Faculty Council confirms the minor subject module in toxicology for
	the academic years 2023–2025.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

6 Toxicology, minor subject curriculum for 2023-2025



Record entry No 991/03.01.00/2022

Prepared by Susanna Järvelin-Pasanen

§ 6

Approval of the admission criteria for the training preparing dentists who have completed their degree outside the EU/EEA for competency examinations

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will make decisions concerning student admission criteria.

To be able to work as dentists in Finland, persons who have completed their dentist education outside the EU/EEA, must have been granted the right to practise the profession in Finland by Valvira. The University of Turku and the University of Eastern Finland provide preparatory training for the qualification process. Education does not lead to a degree. Four (4) places have been proposed for the training implemented at the University of Eastern Finland.

The duration of the training is 10 months (8/2023-5/2024) and it includes on-campus and remote teaching in Finnish. Students admitted to the training are granted a separate right to study at the Faculty of Health Sciences in the University of Eastern Finland. The separate right to study is granted for a fixed term (according to the duration of the training). The right to study enables participation in Bachelor's and Master's degree level courses in dentistry, in accordance with the participants' personal study plan. The curriculum for the Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes in dentistry are confirmed annually by the Faculty Council. The separate



right to study only applies to this education and to the courses included in it. The learning outcomes of the education are described on the website of the Finnish Dental Association at: <u>https://tkharjoittelu.hammaslaakariliitto.fi/sites/skh/files/kliinisen_arvioinn</u> <u>in_kriteerit_ja_matriisi_20201.pdf</u> (in Finnish)

The Institute of Dentistry of the School of Medicine has prepared a proposal for the admission criteria for the training that prepares dentists who have completed their degree outside the EU/EEA for competency examinations (Appendix 1).

Motion The Faculty Council approves the admission criteria for the training that prepares dentists who have completed their degree outside the EU/EEA for competency examinations as set out in the proposal and authorises the Dean to make technical changes to the admission criteria.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

7 Admission criteria PÄTE 2023



Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§ 7

Grading BSc (hons) Jani Mikkonen's doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 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.

BSc (hons) Jani Mikkonen's doctoral dissertation and study "<u>POSTURAL</u> <u>STABILITY AND ITS RELATIONSHIPS WITH CHRONIC LOW BACK PAIN,</u> <u>CENTRAL SENSITIZATION, AND PAIN-RELATED SLEEP QUALITY</u>" was examined publicly on 17 February 2023. The opponent, Associate Professor Michael L. Meier (University of Zurich) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass with distinction. Both preliminary examiners Professor emeritus Ari Heinonen (University of Jyväskylä) and Associate Professor Rajal Cohen (University of Idaho), are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in

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 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.

- MotionBased on the statements, the Faculty Council grades BSc (hons) JaniMikkonen's doctoral dissertation as Pass.
- **Decision** As proposed.

Appendices

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Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§ 8

Grading MSc Isidore Mushimiyimana's doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 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 Isidore Mushimiyimana's doctoral dissertation and study "ENDOTHELIAL-TARGETED GENE REGULATION FOR ANGIOGENIC THERAPY", was examined publicly on 3 March 2023. The opponent, Professor Thierry VandenDriessche (Free University of Brussels) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Michael Jeltsch (University of Helsinki) and Professor Ebba Brakenhielm (University of Rouen) 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



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.

MotionBased on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MSc IsidoreMushimiyimana's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

11	$Opponent_VandenDriessche_statement_Mushimiyimana$
12	Preliminary
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Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§ 9

Grading MBBS MPH Olubunmi Olubamwo's doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 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.

MBBS, MPH Olubunmi Olubamwo's doctoral dissertation and study "<u>Fatty</u> <u>liver index and risk of incident cardiometabolic disease and mortality</u>" was examined publicly on 24 February 2023. The opponent, Research Professor Markus Perola (The Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Docent Joni Lindbohm (University of Helsinki) and Docent Markku Nissinen (University of Helsinki) 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



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.

- MotionBased on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MBBS, MPHOlubunmi Olubamwon's doctoral dissertation as Pass.
- DecisionAs proposed. Chair Jussi Pihlajamäki and Professor Tomi-PekkaTuomainen did not participate in the processing of the matter (disqualified
due to a special reason).

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- 15 Preliminary examiner_Lindbohm_statement_Olubamwo
- 16 Preliminary examiner_Nissinen_statement_Olubamwo



Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§10

Grading Lic.Med. Johanna Palmroth's doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 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.

Lic.Med. Johanna Palmroth's doctoral dissertation and study "<u>Natural</u> <u>History of Multiple Human Papillomavirus Infections Pre - and Post-</u> <u>Vaccination</u>" was examined publicly on 17 February 2023. The opponent, Docent Maija Jakobsson (the Hospital District of Helsinki and Uusimaa (HUS)) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Medicine and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Docent Eeva means a (University of Helsinki) and Docent Annika Auranen (Tampere University Hospital) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Medicine 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 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.

MotionBased on the statements, the Faculty Council grades Lic.Med. JohannaPalmroth's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

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- 19 Esitarkastaja_Auvinen_lausunto_Palmroth



Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§ 11

Grading Lic.Med. Satu Salmi's doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 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.

Lic.Med. Satu Salmi's doctoral dissertation and study "<u>The roles of</u> cytotoxic T lymphocytes and immunosuppressive factors in cutaneous melanoma", was examined publicly on 3 March 2023. The opponent, Docent Juha Väyrynen (Oulu University Hospital, University of Oulu) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Medicine and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Docent Tanja Skyttä (Tampere University Hospital) and Docent Ahmed Al-Samadi (Helsinki University Hospital) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Medicine 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 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.

MotionBased on the statements, the Faculty Council grades Lic.Med. Satu Salmi's
doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

20	Esitarkastaja_Skyttä_lausunto_Salmi
21	Preliminary examiner_Al-Samadi_statement_Salmi
22	Vastaväittäjä_Väyrynen_lausunto_Salmi



Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§12

Grading MSc (Pharmacy) Maria Sääskilahti's doctoral dissertation

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 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 (Pharmacy) Maria Sääskilahti's doctoral dissertation and study ""<u>Omakannan käyttö resepti- ja terveystietojen seurannassa.</u> <u>Kyselytutkimus apteekkien reseptiasiakkaille</u>" was examined publicly on 24 February 2023. The opponent, Professor Jarmo Reponen (University of Oulu) is in favour of the

dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Pharmacy and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, senior university lecturer, PhD Sari Kujala (Aalto University) and research professor, PhD (Psychology) Tarja Heponiemi (the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Pharmacy and propose the grade Pass.



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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 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.

- MotionBased on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MSc (Pharmacy)Maria Sääskilahti's doctoral dissertation as Pass.
- **Decision** As proposed.

Appendices

23 Esitarkastaja_Heponiemi_lausunto_Sääskilahti
24 Esitarkastaja_Kujala_lausunto_Sääskilahti
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§13

Closing of the meeting

The chair closed the meeting at 14:45.



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Translation of the agenda/minutes

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

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