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Faculty Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences
Meeting No 9/2023
Meeting date 31 October 2023

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Date and time 31 October 2023, 14:02 – 16:04

Place/venue ME201 (+Teams)

Participants	Role	Present for items
Members		
Pihlajamäki Jussi	Dean, Chair	1-18
Levonen Anna-Liisa	1st Vice Dean, Vice Chair	1-20, Chair in items 19-20
Kauppinen Anu	Professor, member	1-20
Rautio Jarkko	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Häggman-Laitila Arja	Professor, member	1-20
Malm Tarja	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Jääskeläinen Jarmo	Professor, member	1-20
Keski-Nisula Leea	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Tuomainen Tomi-Pekka	Professor, member	1-20
Peltomäki Timo	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Heinäniemi Merja	Professor, member	1-10, 12-20
Tohka Jussi	Professor, deputy member	Absent
Jalkanen Aaro	Staff, member	Absent
Huttunen Kristiina	Staff, deputy member	1-11, 13-20
Kotikumpu Kari	Staff, member	1-20
Parviainen Anndra	Staff, deputy member	Absent

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Heikkilä Reeta	Staff, member	Absent
Sutinen Tiina	Staff, deputy member	1-20
Lahtela-Kakkonen Maija	Staff, member	1-11, 13-19
Savinainen Juha	Staff, deputy member	1-19
Toroi Riitta-Liisa	Staff, member	1-20
Kanninen Katja	Staff, deputy member	Absent
Leppäkynnäs Arttu	Student, member	Absent
Nurmela Veera	Student, deputy member	Absent
Tupala Ossi	Student, member	1-20
Özdemir Hande	Student, deputy member	Absent
Owusu-Serchire Theresa	Student, member	1-20
Ritajoki Tarmo	Student, deputy member	1-20
Lipponen Samuli	Student, member	Absent
Pajunen Veera	Student, deputy member	Absent
Karppi Lassi	Student, member	1-20
Saarinen Perttu	Student, deputy member	Absent
Ollikainen-Richards Hanna	Executive Head of Administration, secretary, preparer	1-20
Other preparers		
Järvelin-Pasanen Susanna	Head of Student Services	1-20
Karvonen Annika	Amanuensis	1-20
Other participants		
Ryyänen-Karjalainen Lea	Chair of the UEF Board	19



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Schwab Ursula	Member of the UEF Board	19
Rintamäki Petri	Secretary of the UEF Board	19

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§ 1

Opening of the meeting

The chair opened the meeting at 14:02.

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§ 2

Legitimacy and presence of a quorum

In accordance with the UEF 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 24 October 2023.

According to the UEF 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

A part-time (30%) post of Professor of Adolescent Psychiatry, 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 a part-time (30%) post of Professor of Adolescent Psychiatry (Tenure Track) will be filled at the institute.

The post is co-financed with the Wellbeing Services County of Central Finland. The Professor will work at Hospital Nova.

The post will be filled until further notice as from 1 April 2024 at the earliest.

According to the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, a person to be appointed to a professorship shall be scientifically

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or artistically qualified, have good teaching skills and, if important for attending to the duties, have practical familiarity with the field of the post.

The description of the post (Appendix) includes the scope and specifications of the post required by the UEF University Regulations.

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

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- 1 A description of the post of Professor of Adolescent Psychiatry

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§ 4

A post of Professor/Associate Professor of Pathology (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 the post of a Professor/Associate Professor of Pathology (Tenure Track) will be filled at the institute.

The post 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

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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 June 2024 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 June 2024 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 Professor/Associate Professor (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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- 2 Description of the post, Professor or Associate Professor of Pathology

Record entry 3974/01.01.02/2023

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§ 5

A part-time (30%) post of Professor of Neurology, 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 a part-time (30%) post of Professor of Neurology (Tenure Track) will be filled at the institute.

The post is co-financed with the Wellbeing Services County of North Karelia. The Professor will work at the North Karelia Central Hospital.

The post will be filled until further notice as from 1 August 2024 at the earliest.

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.

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The description of the post (Appendix) includes the scope and specifications of the post required by the UEF University Regulations.

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

Decision As proposed.

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3 A description of the post of Professor of Neurology

Record entry 3973/01.01.02/2023

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§ 6

A post of Professor/Associate Professor of Cardiology (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 the post of a Professor/Associate Professor of Cardiology (Tenure Track) will be filled at the institute.

The post will be hosted by the Institute of Clinical Medicine of the Faculty of Health Sciences' School of 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

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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 August 2024 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 August 2024 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 Professor/Associate Professor (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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- 4 Description of the post, Professor or Associate Professor of
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§ 7

A part-time (30%) post of Professor of Cardiology, 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 a part-time (30%) post of Professor of Cardiology (Tenure Track) will be filled at the institute.

The post is co-financed with the Wellbeing Services County of North Karelia. The Professor will work at the North Karelia Central Hospital.

The post will be filled until further notice as from 1 August 2024 at the earliest.

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.

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The description of the post (Appendix) includes the scope and specifications of the post required by the UEF University Regulations.

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

Decision As proposed.

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5 Description of the post of Professor of Cardiology (Siun sote)

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Record entry 2492/01.08.00/2023

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§ 8

Granting the title of docent in Pharmacoeconomics of Preventive Therapies to PhD Zanfina Ademi

PhD Zandina Ademi has proposed that she be awarded the title of docent in Pharmacoeconomics of Preventive Therapies at the Faculty of Health Sciences of the University of Eastern Finland. The applicant's CV and list of publications are enclosed with the agenda item as appendices.

The Docent Committee of the Faculty of Health Sciences stated at its meeting that the docentship is purposeful from the perspective of teaching and research activities. The Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences has invited Professor Björn Wettermark (Uppsala University) and Professor of Practice, Docent Juha Laine (University of Turku) as experts.

Professor Wettermark submitted his statement on 15 October 2023 and Docent Laine on 21 August 2023. Both experts consider the applicant to be scientifically qualified for the docentship they are applying for and are in favour of awarding the title of docent. The statements of the experts are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

In accordance with section 89 of the Universities Act (558/2009), the university may award the title of docent upon application to a person who has comprehensive knowledge of his or her own field, a capacity for

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independent research or artistic work demonstrated through publications or some other manner, and good teaching skills.

The Docent Committee of the Faculty of Health Sciences stated, when it processed the application, that the applicant meets the criteria of the Faculty of Health Sciences as regards teaching skills.

According to section 9(8) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council shall decide on title of docent.

The applicant meets the qualification requirements of a docent specified in section 89 of the University Act and the criteria set out in the docentship guidelines of the Faculty of Health Sciences for the title of docent.

Motion

The Faculty Council states that the applicant meets the qualification requirements specified in section 89 of the Universities Act and the criteria set out in the docentship guidelines of the Faculty of Health Sciences for the title of docent and decides to grant the title of docent in Pharmacoeconomics of Preventive Therapies to PhD Zanfina Ademi.

Decision

As proposed.

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| 7 | Statement Ademi Zanfina by Laine Juha |
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- 9 Statement of the subject on the title of docent in
Pharmaeconomics of Preventive Therapies
- 10 List of publications Ademi Zanfina

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Record entry 3655/01.08.00/2023

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§ 9

Granting the title of docent in Dental Public Health to DDSc Eero Raittio

DDSc Eero Raittio has proposed that he be awarded the title of docent in Dental Public Health at the Faculty of Health Sciences of the University of Eastern Finland. The applicant's CV and list of publications are enclosed with the agenda item as appendices.

The Docent Committee of the Faculty of Health Sciences stated at its meeting that the docentship is purposeful from the perspective of teaching and research activities. The Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences has invited Professor Kristiina Patja (University of Helsinki) and Professor Pekka Ylöstalo (University of Oulu) as experts.

Professor Patja and Professor Ylöstalo submitted their statement on 17 October 2023. Both experts consider the applicant to be scientifically qualified for the docentship they are applying for and are in favour of awarding the title of docent. The statements of the experts are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

In accordance with section 89 of the Universities Act (558/2009), the university may award the title of docent upon application to a person who has comprehensive knowledge of his or her own field, a capacity for independent research or artistic work demonstrated through publications or some other manner, and good teaching skills.

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The Docent Committee of the Faculty of Health Sciences stated, when it processed the application, that the applicant meets the criteria of the Faculty of Health Sciences as regards teaching skills.

According to section 9(8) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council shall decide on awarding the title of docent.

The applicant meets the qualification requirements of a docent specified in section 89 of the University Act and the criteria set out in the docentship guidelines of the Faculty of Health Sciences for the title of docent.

Motion The Faculty Council states that the applicant meets the qualification requirements specified in section 89 of the University Act and the criteria set out in the docentship guidelines of the Faculty of Health Sciences for the title of docent and decides to grant the title of docent in dental public health to DDSc Eero Raittio.

Decision As proposed.

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| 13 | Statement Raittio Eero by Patja Kristiina |
| 14 | Statement Raittio Eero by Ylöstalo Pekka |
| 15 | Statement of the subject Dental Public Health |

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Record entry 1562/01.08.00/2023

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§ 10

Granting the title of docent in Clinical Haematology to MD Raija Silvennoinen

MD Raija Silvennoinen has proposed that she be awarded the title of docent in clinical haematology at the Faculty of Health Sciences of the University of Eastern Finland. The applicant's CV and list of publications are enclosed with the agenda item as appendices.

The Docent Committee of the Faculty of Health Sciences stated at its meeting that the docentship is purposeful from the perspective of teaching and research activities. The Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences has invited Professor Eeva-Riitta Savolainen (University of Oulu) and Professor Kimmo Porkka (University of Helsinki) as experts.

Professor Savolainen submitted her statement on 8 August 2023 and Professor Porkka on 1 September 2023. Both experts consider the applicant to be scientifically qualified for the docentship they are applying for and are in favour of awarding the title of docent. The statements of the experts are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

In accordance with section 89 of the Universities Act (558/2009), the university may award the title of docent upon application to a person who has comprehensive knowledge of his or her own field, a capacity for independent research or artistic work demonstrated through publications or some other manner, and good teaching skills.

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The Docent Committee of the Faculty of Health Sciences stated, when it processed the application, that the applicant meets the criteria of the Faculty of Health Sciences as regards teaching skills.

According to section 9(8) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council shall decide on awarding the title of docent.

The applicant meets the qualification requirements specified in section 89 of the University Act and the criteria set out in the docentship guidelines of the Faculty of Health Sciences for the title of docent.

Motion

The Faculty Council states that the applicant meets the qualification requirements specified in section 89 of the Universities Act and the criteria set out in the docentship guidelines of the Faculty of Health Sciences for the title of docent and decides to grant the title of docent in clinical haematology to MD Raija Silvennoinen.

Decision

As proposed.

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- 19 Statement of the subject clinical haematology
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Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§ 11

Grading of a doctoral dissertation, Dipl. Pharm. Susanne Csader

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 2022), the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 14 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.

Dipl. Pharm. Susanne Csader's dissertation and study "[High-intensity interval training in non-alcoholic fatty liver disease - Alterations on metabolomic, metagenomic, and transcriptomic level](#)" was examined publicly on 6 October 2023. The opponent, Professor Emeritus Markku Savolainen (University of Oulu) 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, Professor Olavi Ukkola (University of Oulu) and Associate Professor Katja Pahkala (University of Turku) 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 Dipl. Pharm. Susanne Csader's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

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| 22 | Preliminary examiner_Pahkala_statement_Csader |
| 23 | Preliminary examiner_Ukkola_statement_Csader |

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§ 12

Grading of a doctoral dissertation, MSc Johanna Huttunen

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 2022), the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 14 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 Johanna Huttunen's dissertation and study "[Utilization of L-type Amino acid transporter 1 \(LAT1\) for targeted prodrug delivery](#)" was examined publicly on 22 September 2023. The opponent, Docent Outi Salo-Ahen (Åbo Akademi) 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, Professor Tomi Rantamäki (University of Helsinki) and Associate Professor Maria Karlgren (Uppsala University) 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 Johanna Huttunen's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

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| 24 | Preliminary examiner_Rantamäki_statement_Huttunen |
| 25 | Preliminary_examiner_Karlgren_statement_Huttunen |
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Prepared by Annika Karvonen

§ 13

Grading of a doctoral dissertation, Lic.Med. Juhani Kalsi

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 2022), the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 14 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. Juhani Kalsi's dissertation and study "[Health-related risks in road traffic](#)" was examined publicly on 15 September 2023. The opponent, Docent Alpo Vuorio (University of Helsinki) 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, PhD, MD Øystein Kalsnes Jørstad (Oslo University Hospital) and Adjunct Associate Professor Tomas Bro (Linköping University) are in favour of the doctoral 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

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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 Lic.Med. Juhani Kalsi's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

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| 27 | Preliminary examiner_Bro_statement_Kalsi |
| 28 | Preliminary examiner_Jørstad_statement_Kalsi |
| 29 | Opponent_Vuorio_statement_Kalsi |

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§ 14

Grading of a doctoral dissertation, MSc Liudmila Saveleva

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 2022), the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 14 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 Liudmila Saveleva's doctoral dissertation and study "[Investigating Effects of Exposure to Ultrafine Particulate Matter in the Brain](#)" was examined publicly on 22 September 2023. The opponent, Associate Professor Paola Palestini (University of Milano-Bicocca) 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, Professor Colin Combs (University of North Dakota) and Associate Professor Heidi Salonen (Aalto University) 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 Liudmila Saveleva's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

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| 30 | Opponent_Palestini_statement_Saveleva |
| 31 | Preliminary examiner_Combs_statement_Saveleva |
| 32 | Preliminary examiner_Salonen_statement_Saveleva |

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§ 15

Grading of a doctoral dissertation, Lic.Med. Nina Tusa

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 August 2022), the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 14 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. Nina Tusa's dissertation and study "[Patients with chronic cardiovascular diseases and diabetes in primary health care: self-care activity, health-related quality of life and effect of participatory care plan, a randomized controlled trial](#)" was examined publicly on 29 September 2023. The opponent Professor Emerita Kaisu Pitkälä (University of Helsinki) 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 Jukka Ronkainen (University of Oulu) and MD Mikael Ekblad (University of Turku) 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

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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.

Motion Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades Lic.Med. Nina Tusa's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

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- 33 Preliminary examiner_Ekblad_statement_Tusa
- 34 Preliminary examiner_Ronkainen_statement_Tusa
- 35 Opponent_Pitkälä_statement_Tusa

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§ 16

Amendments to the Regulations for Medical Internship

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 Faculty Council may devolve a matter which by university regulation would fall within its remit to be resolved by the Dean, the faculties' cooperation council or by a head of a unit which is subordinate to the faculty. By its decision dated 24 January 2022 (record entry 2008/03.00.01/2021), the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences transferred the approval of changes made to the curricula for the Bachelor and Master level studies, which fall within its remit, to the Deputy Dean. It is stated in the Regulations for Medical Internship that the Faculty Council approves any amendments made to them.

The Faculty Council of the Faculty of Health Sciences has approved the curriculum for the degree programme in medicine for the academic year 2023-2024 at its meeting of 23 February 2023 (record entry 5/03.00.01/2023). The Regulations for Medical Internship were verified at the same time.

The degree programme in medicine proposes the following amendments to the Regulations for Internship:

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- the 1 month/30 hours stand-by duty obligation will be removed from the amanuensis position linked with internal medicine,
- the amanuensis position linked with internal medicine can be completed after 3rd year studies,
- the amanuensis position linked with surgery must include work in the operating room,
- it is stated in the Regulations for Internship that it is an Annex to the curriculum and any amendments thereto must be approved in accordance with the general guidelines; in practice, this means that any technical amendments made to the Regulations for Internship during the academic year do not need to be separately submitted to the Faculty Council for processing, but may be made in accordance with the valid delegation decisions by a decision of the Deputy Dean.
- In addition, technical changes have been made to the Regulations for Internship.

The updated Regulations for Internship will enter into force on 1 January 2024 and will apply to all students of the degree programme in medicine.

Motion The Faculty Council confirms the amendments made to the curriculum for the degree programme in medicine as proposed.

Decision As proposed.

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- 36 The Regulations for Internship of the degree programme in
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University's degree statistics 2023 and a comparison between universities between January and September.

Motion Marked for information.

Decision As proposed.

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37 Degree statistics January-September 2023

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§ 18

A part time (50%) post of Professor/Associate Professor of Clinical and Translational 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 a part-time (50%) post of a Professor/Associate Professor of Clinical and Translational Research (Tenure Track) will be filled at the institute.

The post will be hosted by the Institute of Clinical Medicine of the Faculty of Health Sciences' School of Medicine. The post is linked to the part-time (50%) post of Chief Physician at the Centre for Clinical Research of the Wellbeing Services County of North Savo.

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.

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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 August 2024 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 August 2024 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 Professor/Associate Professor (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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§ 19

Hearing of the Faculty Council on the organisation and selection of the university's rectors

The terms of office of the Rector and the Academic Rector will end on 31 December 2024. The UEF Board has launched measures to start the recruitment processes but wishes to hear the university community extensively on the matter before the actual application process begins. The purpose of the hearings is to establish the rector model that is favoured by the university community. The UEF Board also wishes to hear what would be the best model for the organisation of the rectors (including their number and responsibilities) from the perspective of the university's strategy. The Board will hear the Faculty Councils on the matter during October.

Motion The UEF Board will consult the Faculty Council on the organisation and selection of the university's rectors.

Decision As proposed.



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Closing of the meeting

The chair closed the meeting at 16:04.

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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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