

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty
Meeting No 11/2023
Meeting date 19 December 2023

1 (36)

Date and time 19 December 2023, 10:15 - 11:49

Place/venue Teams

Participants	Role	Present for items
Members		
Pietarinen Janne	Dean, Chair	1-12
Hirsto Laura	1st Vice Dean, Vice Chair	1-12
Manninen Jyri	Professor, member	1-12
Honkalampi Kirsi	Professor, deputy member	
Kurki Tuulikki	Professor, member	1-12
Riionheimo Helka	Professor, deputy member	
Juvonen Antti	Professor, member	1-12
Kantelinen Ritva	Professor, deputy member	
Kallinen Timo	Professor, member	1-12
Ubani Martin	Professor, deputy member	1-12
Laasonen Marja	Professor, member	1-12
Virtanen Marianna	Professor, deputy member	
Kujamäki Minna	Other staff, member	
Venäläinen Juhana	Other staff, deputy member	1-12
Kasanen Kati	Other staff, member	1-12
Tamminen Merja	Other staff, deputy member	1-9
Sormunen Kari	Other staff, member	1-12

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

2 (36)

Kröger Tarja	Other staff, deputy member	
Mikkola Sini	Other staff, member	1-12
Hurskainen Heta	Other staff, deputy member	
Korkki Jyrki	Other staff, member	1-2,5-12
Räty-Záborszky Sinikka	Other staff, deputy member	
Rissanen Tanja	Student, member	1-2,5-12
Duncan Sarah	Student, deputy member	1-2,5-12
Scharin Evelina	Student, member	1-2,5-10
Koskelo Marko	Student, deputy member	1-2,5-12
Koirikivi Taneli	Student, member	1-2,5-12
Vainio Tarja	Student, deputy member	1-2,5-12
Nuutinen Niina-Hannele	Student, member	1-2,5-12
Rahman Jannat Ara	Student, deputy member	
Kukkohovi Mariam	Student, member	1-2,5-12
Baljashkin Janina	Student, deputy member	
Nevalainen Henni	Executive Head of Administration, secretary, preparer	1-12
Other preparers		
Anttonen Salli	Amanuensis	1-4
Myllys Riikka	Study Coordinator	1-6

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

3 (36)

Items discussed at the meeting

Section	Otsikko	Pag e
§ 1	Opening of the meeting	5
§ 2	Legitimacy and presence of a quorum	6
§ 3	Grading Lic.Theol. Elina Tourunen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Biblical Studies	7
§ 4	Grading MSc Maiju Parviainen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Cultural Studies, Gender Studies	10
§ 5	Approval of the curriculum for the Digipedataidot 0-100! ja luovat teknologiat project courses	12
§ 6	Deciding on the criteria for student admission to minor subject studies organised by the Philosophical Faculty and the number of students to be admitted in 2024 (second deliberation)	13
§ 7	The Dean's proposal on the appointment of PhD Satu Saalasti to the post of Assistant Professor (Tenure Track), Logopedics, Hearing of the Faculty Council	15
§ 8	The Dean's proposal on the appointment of ThD Heta Hurskainen to the post of Associate Professor, Systematic Theology (Tenure Track), Hearing of the Faculty Council	19

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

4 (36)

§ 9	The Dean's proposal on the appointment of ThD Suvi-Maria Saarelainen to the post of Associate Professor, Theology of Wellbeing and Working Life Skills (Tenure Track), Hearing of the Faculty Council	23
§ 10	The Dean's proposal on the person to be appointed to the post of Professor, Cultural Studies, Hearing of the Faculty Council	28
§ 11	Conferring an Honorary Doctorate	31
§ 12	Closing of the meeting	33
§ 13	Translation of the agenda/minutes	33

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

5 (36)

§ 1

Opening of the meeting

The chair opened the meeting at 10:15.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

6 (36)

§ 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 12 December 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 via Teams.

Motion The meeting is deemed lawful and quorate. The agenda and the supplementary agenda are approved.

Decision As proposed. The following supplementary items, listed under items 3 and 4, will be addressed: 3. Grading Lic.Theol. Elina Tourunen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Biblical Studies and 4. Grading MSc Maiju Parviainen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Cultural Studies, Gender Studies.

Record entry 225/03.04.09/2023

Prepared by Salli Anttonen

§ 3

Grading Lic.Theol. Elina Tourunen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Biblical Studies

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 the instructions issued separately by the Philosophical Faculty (21 May 2014), doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale I – L.

(The previously valid guidelines and assessment scales are applied to doctoral dissertations submitted for preliminary examination and licentiate dissertations submitted for examination before 1 August 2023.)

Lic.Theol. Elina Tourunen's doctoral dissertation and study "Virrastani tuli meri. Polveileva traditio Sirakin kirjan kuolemaa ja tuonpuoleista käsittelyjen tekstien valossa" was examined publicly on 15 December 2023. Professor Elisa Uusimäki (Aarhus University), the opponent, and ThD Lotta Valve, the faculty representative, are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in theology and propose the grade cum laude approbatur.

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.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

8 (36)

The doctoral candidate has no comments on the statements. The statements of the opponent and the faculty representative 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.

A link to the dissertation: [eRepo - Virrastani tuli meri: Polveileva traditio Sirakin kirjan kuolemaa ja tuonpuoleista käsittelevien tekstien valossa \(uef.fi\)](#)

Motion Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades Lic.Theol. Elina Tourunen's doctoral dissertation as cum laude approbatur.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- 1 Statements on the dissertation (opponent Elisa Uusimäki, faculty representative Lotta Valve, custos Lauri Thurén, doctoral candidate Elina Tourunen)
- 2 Statement of the opponent Elisa Uusimäki: grading of the doctoral dissertation, doctoral candidate Elina Tourunen

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

9 (36)

- 3 Statement of the faculty representative Lotta Valve: grading of the dissertation, doctoral candidate Elina Tourunen
- 4 Statement of the custos Lauri Thurén: grading of the doctoral dissertation, doctoral candidate Elina Tourunen
- 5 Statement of the doctoral candidate Elina Tourunen on the statements

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

10 (36)

Record entry 225/03.04.09/2023

Prepared by Salli Anttonen

§ 4

Grading MSc Maiju Parviainen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Cultural Studies, Gender Studies

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 the instructions issued separately by the Philosophical Faculty (24 May 2023), doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale fail – pass – pass with distinction.

From 1 August 2023, the new guidelines and assessment scales are applied to all dissertations submitted for preliminary examination and licentiate dissertations submitted for examination to the faculty.

MSc Maiju Parviainen's dissertation and study "Seksologiset tulkinnat halun ja seksin merkityksestä heteroparisuhteessa" was examined publicly on 15 December 2023. The opponent DSocSc, Docent, Academy Research Fellow Marjo Kolehmainen (University of Turku) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes 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.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

11 (36)

The doctoral candidate has no comments on the statements. The opponent's statement is enclosed with the agenda item as an appendix.

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.

A link to the doctoral dissertation: [eRepo - Seksologiset tulkinnat halun ja seksin merkityksestä heteroparisuhteessa \(uef.fi\)](https://eRepo-ufi.fi/Seppo/Seksologiset_tulkinnat_halun_ja_seksin_merkityksesta_heteroparisuhteessa_ufi)

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

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- 6 Statement of the opponent Marjo Kolehmainen: grading of the doctoral dissertation, doctoral candidate Maiju Parviainen
- 7 Opponent's form: grading of the doctoral dissertation, opponent Maiju Parviainen
- 8 Statement of the custos Jaana Vuori: grading of the doctoral dissertation, doctoral candidate Maiju Parviainen

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

12 (36)

- 9 Statement of the doctoral candidate Maiju Parviainen on the
statements

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

13 (36)

Record entry No 130/03.00.01/2023

Prepared by Riikka Myllys

§ 5

Approval of the curriculum for the Digipedataidot 0-100! ja luovat teknologiat project courses

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

The *Digipedataidot 0-100! ja luovat teknologiat* continuation project will involve the Universities of Eastern Finland, Jyväskylä and Turku. The University of Eastern Finland is responsible for two courses of the project, the registration principles of which have been described in the course descriptions.

Motion The Faculty Council will approve the curriculum for the continuation project courses for the spring semester 2024 and the academic year 2024-2025.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

10 Curriculum: Digipedataidot 0-100! ja luovat teknologiat

Record entry 3530/03.01.00/2023

Prepared by Riikka Myllys

§ 6

Deciding on the criteria for student admission to minor subject studies organised by the Philosophical Faculty and the number of students to be admitted in 2024 (second deliberation)

According to section 13 of the UEF Degree Regulations, the Philosophical Faculty shall organise the pedagogical studies resulting in the teaching qualification, decide on the related student admission criteria, and grant the related study rights. The Faculty of Health Sciences shall organise teacher training in health sciences for students who major in nursing science. The Dean of the faculty organising the teaching will decide on the distribution of study places after hearing the other faculties.

According to section 14 of the Study Regulations, the university offers its students an unlimited right to study minor subjects except in fields where student admission is based on an aptitude or proficiency test, and in fields which have other justified reasons to limit the minor subject study right. Any limitations to the right to pursue minor subject studies shall be specified in the curriculum. Teaching in a minor subject may involve interdisciplinary collaboration, or a minor subject module may be tailored specifically for the needs of a particular major subject. The university may have students from other universities who complete minor subject studies based on the flexible study right (JOO) agreement.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

15 (36)

The curriculum will be supplemented with restrictions to the minor subject study rights that comply with the enclosed admission criteria for minor subject studies. The admission criteria have been prepared by the departments and academic subjects.

Motion

The Faculty Council will approve the criteria for student admissions to minor subject studies for 2024 and the additions to the curriculum in accordance with the appendices. The Faculty Council will also approve the number of students to be admitted in 2024 to non-pedagogical studies in accordance with the appendices.

Decision

As proposed.

Appendices

- | | |
|----|--|
| 11 | Admission criteria for minor subject studies at the School of Humanities 2024 |
| 12 | Admission criteria for minor subject studies at the School of Educational Sciences and Psychology 2024 |
| 13 | Admission criteria for minor subject studies at the School of Applied Educational Science and Teacher Education 2024 |

Record entry 3551/01.01.02/2023

Prepared by

§ 7

The Dean's proposal on the appointment of PhD Satu Saalasti to the post of Assistant Professor (Tenure Track), Logopedics, Hearing of the Faculty Council

According to section 10(9) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean shall make proposals to the Rector on the persons to be appointed to professorships with a term of two years or over, to permanent teaching and research positions compliant with the four-stage research career model, and to Tenure Track positions after hearing the Faculty Council.

According to the description of the post: "The post of Assistant Professor (Tenure Track), Logopedics, is located in the School of Humanities of the Philosophical Faculty. The research activities of the School of Humanities are linked, on one hand, to the University of Eastern Finland's profile area "Cultural Encounters, Mobilities and Borders" and, in particular, to the BOMOCULT research community, but the aim is also to encourage researchers to engage in cross-disciplinary cooperation in general. In logopedics, cooperation is, in particular, carried out with linguists, psychologists, computer scientists and health scientists.

The duties of the Assistant Professor include scientific research in their field and teaching and supervisory duties. The focus of research activities is on experimental research and the development of Logolab laboratory activities. The Assistant Professor will participate in the preparation and

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

17 (36)

implementation of research projects, as well as in applying for external research funding. The aim is also to network and to develop cooperation with other parties using the research infrastructure. Education focuses on the supervision of theses in logopedics in both Bachelor's and Master's level education and doctoral education, especially in the SCE and WELMA doctoral programmes. The duties may also include teaching given in the English language. The duties also include societal tasks, such as engaging in science communication and serving in expert capacity, as well as administrative tasks.

A person to be appointed as an Assistant Professor in the Tenure Track shall hold a suitable doctoral degree and have good teaching skills (UEF University Regulations, section 31). In addition, the appointee must be a licensed speech therapist and have postdoctoral research achievements in the above-specified field.

The post will be filled for a four-year (4) term as from 1 January 2024. The post is filled for a fixed term due to it being a Tenure Track position. A specifying agreement on the Tenure Track assessment criteria shall be prepared and appended to the employment contract, to be signed simultaneously with the person's employment contract. Being promoted to the next level of the Tenure Track requires meeting the criteria specified in the agreement.

The post involves the direct recruitment of a scientifically merited person to the Assistant Professor level of the Tenure Track, and the aim is to invite PhD Satu Saalasti to the post. The factors to be taken into account in the

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

18 (36)

assessment include: scientific publications and presentations at scientific conferences, application for research funding, teaching and supervision merits and participation in academic and societal expert tasks.

As agreed within the faculty, the appointment of a person to the Assistant Professor level of the Tenure Track is done on the basis of an external expert evaluation.

The present matter concerns the direct recruitment of PhD Satu Saalasti to the Tenure Track position of Assistant Researcher, Logopedics. The direct recruitment was prepared by an Appointments Committee appointed by the Dean (Dean Janne Pietarinen as Chair, University Lecturer Esa Penttilä, Professor Ilkka Huhta and Professor Marja Laasonen as members). An expert statement on the merits of Saalasti for the post of Assistant Professor was requested from Professor Sari Kunnari (University of Oulu). Based on the statement, Saalasti has the qualifications and merits required by the post of Assistant Professor and the prerequisites to meet the qualification requirements of Associate Professor by the end of the tenure track term.

The Appointments Committee of the post proposes unanimously, based on the expert statement and application documents, that Saalasti be appointed to the post. The Chair of the Appointments Committee has decided to exempt PhD Satu Saalasti from the requirement to give a trial lecture, as her teaching merits can be verified based on the application documents. Saalasti meets the requirements laid down in the UEF

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

19 (36)

University Regulations for the employment of Assistant Professor and the requirements indicated in the description of the post.

The Dean's proposal to the Academic Rector is that PhD Satu Saalasti be appointed to the post of Assistant Professor (Tenure Track), Logopedics, for a fixed term of four years starting on 1 January 2024. The post is filled for a fixed term due to it being a Tenure Track position.

Motion The Dean will consult the Faculty Council on the proposal to appoint PhD Satu Saalasti to the post of Assistant Professor (Tenure Track), Logopedics, starting on 1 January 2024.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- | | |
|----|--|
| 14 | Satu Saalasti's CV, teaching portfolio and list of publications (public) |
| 15 | Expert statement Sari Kunnari |

Record entry 3415/01.01.02/2023

Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 8

The Dean's proposal on the appointment of ThD Heta Hurskainen to the post of Associate Professor, Systematic Theology (Tenure Track), Hearing of the Faculty Council

According to section 10(9) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean shall make proposals to the Rector on the persons to be appointed to professorships with a term of two years or over, to permanent teaching and research positions compliant with the four-stage research career model, and to Tenure Track positions after hearing the Faculty Council.

The post of Associate Professor (Tenure Track), Systematic Theology, is hosted by the School of Theology. According to the description of the post: "The Associate Professor is responsible, together with the other staff of the subject, for the scientific research in and teaching of systematic theology and related development in the degree programme in Western theology. The duties of the Associate Professor include scientific research in the field of Systematic Theology, teaching and supervisory duties, and the preparation of research projects and applying for funding.

The School of Theology of the University of Eastern Finland has two study programmes: Western theology and Orthodox theology. The School of Theology focuses on research into the theological traditions of the East and the West and interaction between the two. Research conducted at the School is linked to the University of Eastern Finland's profile area "Cultural

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

21 (36)

Encounters, Mobilities and Borders” that examines global challenges and, in particular, to the activities of the BOMOCULT Research Community.

Systematic Theology focuses on the contents of the Christian faith and the related theological thinking and its development. In systematic theology research, the key areas of the School of Theology are: 1) interaction between the teachings and cultures of churches; 2) ecumenical connections; 3) the roots of reformation theologies and contemporary interpretations; 4) the dialogue between Christianity and natural sciences; and 5) the research of theological conceptions of humans and their relationship with the conceptions of humans in other fields.

A person to be appointed as an Associate Professor in the Tenure Track shall hold a suitable doctoral degree and have good teaching skills. Furthermore, a person to be appointed as an Associate Professor in the Tenure Track shall have the prerequisites for fulfilling the qualification requirements of a Professor by the end of the Tenure Track term (UEF University Regulations, section 31). In addition, the research activities of the person to be appointed to the post are required to focus on one or several research areas of systematic theology described above and the University of Eastern Finland’s research profile area “Cultural Encounters, Mobilities and Borders”.

The post of Associate Professor, Systematic Theology, involves the direct recruitment of an academically merited Assistant Professor in the tenure track to the Associate Professor level of the tenure track. The factors to be taken into account in the assessment include: scientific publications and

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

22 (36)

presentations at scientific conferences, application for research funding, teaching and supervision merits and participation in academic and societal expert tasks. In order for proceeding to the next level of the tenure track to be possible, significant development of merits, as outlined in the proposed work plan, is required at the Associate Professor level. If criteria for promotion are not met, the person shall leave the tenure track.

The post will be filled for a four-year (4) term as from 1 August 2024. 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 will be agreed in detail with the appointee to the Associate Professor position when signing the contract of employment. Associate Professor is invited to a professorship based on expert statements."

The post of Associate Professor of Systematic Theology involves the progress of ThD Heta Hurskainen from one tenure track level to the next. The Appointments Committee appointed by the Dean has prepared the progress from the Assistant Professor level to the Associate Professor level (Dean Janne Pietarinen as Chair, University Lecturer Esa Penttilä, Professor Ilkka Huhta and Professor Serafim Seppälä as members). Expert statements were requested on the merits of Hurskainen to the post of Associate Professor from Professor Risto Saarinen (University of Helsinki) and Research Manager Mika Vähäkangas (Åbo Akademi). Based on the statements, Hurskainen has the qualifications and merits required by the post of Associate Professor and the prerequisites to meet the qualification requirements of Professor by the end of the tenure track term.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

23 (36)

The Appointments Committee of the post proposes unanimously, based on the expert statements and application documents, that Hurskainen be appointed to the post. The Chair of the Appointments Committee has decided to exempt ThD Heta Hurskainen from the requirement to give a trial lecture, as her teaching merits can be verified based on the application documents. Hurskainen meets the requirements laid down in the UEF University Regulations for the employment of Associate Professor and the requirements indicated in the description of the post.

The Dean's proposal to the Academic Rector is that ThD Heta Hurskainen be appointed to the post of Associate Professor (Tenure Track), Systematic Theology, for a fixed term of four years starting on 1 August 2024. The post is filled for a fixed term due to it being a Tenure Track position.

Motion The Dean will consult the Faculty Council on the proposal to appoint ThD Heta Hurskainen to the post of Associate Professor (Tenure Track), Systematic Theology, starting on 1 August 2024.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- | | |
|----|--|
| 16 | Heta Hurskainen's CV, teaching portfolio and list of publications (public) |
| 17 | Joint expert statement of Risto Saarinen and Mika Vähäkangas |

Record entry 3623/01.01.02/2023

Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 9

The Dean's proposal on the appointment of ThD Suvi-Maria Saarelainen to the post of Associate Professor, Theology of Wellbeing and Working Life Skills (Tenure Track), Hearing of the Faculty Council

According to section 10(9) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean shall make proposals to the Rector on the persons to be appointed to professorships with a term of two years or over, to permanent teaching and research positions compliant with the four-stage research career model, and to Tenure Track positions after hearing the Faculty Council.

The post of Associate Professor (Tenure Track), Theology of Wellbeing and Working Life Skills, is hosted by the School of Theology. According to the description of the post: "The School of Theology focuses on research into and teaching on the theological traditions of the East and the West and interaction between the two. The School of Theology of the University of Eastern Finland has two study programmes: Western theology and Orthodox theology. The post is shared by the degree programmes and is new.

The post of Associate Professor of Theology of Wellbeing and Working Life Skills is closely linked to practical theology and, in particular, to research into pastoral theology, but the post also exploits and benefits other theology subjects. It aims to link the research of the School of Theology

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

25 (36)

more closely to the interdisciplinary and research community-based research activities that are highlighted in the university's strategic goals. With the new post, research contribution will be strengthened especially in comprehensive and existential wellbeing research, which is inherently closely linked to research into lifestyles and health. At the same time, it strengthens the university's research as part of multidisciplinary research communities. With regard to working life skills, research focuses on examining both the professional competency of students and those already in employment. The post also strengthens the strategic interaction with working life organisations.

The duties of the Associate Professor include research and teaching in their field. They will participate in the preparation and implementation of research projects, as well as in the application for external research funding. The Associate Professor will participate in the teaching duties of the degree programmes in theology, be responsible for coordinating applied studies and working life connections, supervise Master's theses and participate in the supervision of doctoral research in multidisciplinary postgraduate study programmes. The duties also include societal tasks, such as engaging in science communication and serving in expert capacity, as well as administrative tasks.

A person to be appointed as an Associate Professor in the Tenure Track shall hold a suitable doctoral degree and have good teaching skills. Furthermore, a person to be appointed as an Associate Professor in the Tenure Track shall have the prerequisites for fulfilling the qualification requirements of a Professor by the end of the Tenure Track term (section

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

26 (36)

31 of UEF University Regulations). Furthermore, the research activities of the person appointed to the post are required to focus on the aforementioned fields of research. A diverse knowledge of empirical methods is essential in the position. Experience in academic management duties will be considered an advantage.

The post is to be filled through direct recruitment in accordance with the strategic human resources plan and a docent, University Lecturer ThD Suvi-Maria Saarelainen will be proposed to the post.

The factors to be taken into account in the assessment include: scientific publications and presentations at scientific conferences, application for research funding, teaching and supervision merits and participation in academic and societal expert tasks. In order for proceeding to the next level of the tenure track to be possible, significant development of merits, as outlined in the proposed work plan, is required at the Associate Professor level. If criteria for promotion are not met, the person shall leave the tenure track.

The post will be filled for a four-year (4) term as from 1 March 2024. 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 will be agreed in detail with the appointee to the Associate Professor position when signing the contract of employment. Associate Professor is invited to a professorship based on expert statements."

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

27 (36)

The post of Associate Professor of Wellbeing Theology and Working Life Skills involves the direct recruitment of ThD Suvi-Maria Saarelainen to the post of Associate Professor. The direct recruitment was prepared by an Appointments Committee appointed by the Dean (Dean Janne Pietarinen as Chair, University Lecturer Esa Penttilä, Professor Ilkka Huhta and Professor Kati Tervo-Niemelä as members). Expert statements were requested on the merits of Saarelainen to the post of Associate Professor from Professor Arto Kallioniemi (University of Helsinki) and Professor Hans Schilderman (Radboud University). Based on the statements, Saarelainen has the qualifications and merits required by the post of Associate Professor and the prerequisites to meet the qualification requirements of Professor by the end of the tenure track term.

The Appointments Committee of the post proposes unanimously, based on the expert statements and application documents, that Saarelainen be appointed to the post. The Chair of the Appointments Committee has decided to exempt ThD Suvi-Maria Saarelainen from the requirement to give a trial lecture, as her teaching merits can be verified based on the application documents. Saarelainen meets the requirements laid down in the UEF University Regulations for the employment of Associate Professor and the requirements indicated in the description of the post.

The Dean's proposal to the Academic Rector is that ThD Suvi-Maria Saarelainen be appointed to the post of Associate Professor (Tenure Track), Theology of Wellbeing and Working Life Skills, for a fixed term of four years starting on 1 March 2024. The post is filled for a fixed term due to it being a Tenure Track position.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

28 (36)

Motion The Dean will consult the Faculty Council on the proposal to appoint ThD Suvi-Maria Saarelainen to the post of Associate Professor (Tenure Track), Theology of Wellbeing and Working Life Skills, starting on 1 March 2024.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

- | | |
|----|---|
| 18 | Suvi-Maria Saarelainen's CV, teaching portfolio and list of publications (public) |
| 19 | Expert statement Arto Kallioniemi |
| 20 | Expert statement Hans Schilderman |

Record entry 1589/01.01.02/2022

Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 10

The Dean's proposal on the person to be appointed to the post of Professor, Cultural Studies, Hearing of the Faculty Council

According to section 10 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean shall make proposals to the Rector on the persons to be appointed to professorships with a term of two years or over, to permanent teaching and research positions compliant with the four-stage research career model, and to Tenure Track positions after hearing the Faculty Council.

The call for applications to the post of Professor, Cultural Studies, ended on 28 March 2023. Applications were received from the following persons (14): PhD Hakola Outi, PhD Koistinen Aino-Kaisa, PhD Korpua Jyrki, DSocSci Kortti Jukka, PhD Kuusela Hanna, PhD Kyyrö Jere, PhD Kärki Kimi, PhD Mantsinen Teemu, PhD Pöysä Jyrki, PhD Saresma Tuija, PhD Suopajärvi Tiina, PhD Uimonen Heikki, PhD Villén Antti-Ville, PhD Vänskä Annamari.

In accordance with section 31 of the Universities Act (558/2009), statements must be requested before the appointment on the qualification and merits of the applicants or the person to be invited to the post in question from a minimum of two experts when the person is being recruited for an employment relationship that will be effective until further notice or for a fixed period of at least two years. Sections 27–29 of the Administrative Procedure Act on disqualification shall be applied to the

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

30 (36)

experts. Where required, the selection, scope of work and duties of the experts shall be defined in the UEF University Regulations.

On a proposal of the Appointments Committee (Dean Janne Pietarinen, University Lecturer Esa Penttilä, Professor Ilkka Huhta, Professor Risto Turunen and Professor Jaana Vuori), applicants (4) who best meet the qualification criteria of the post and the requirements indicated in the description of the post were selected as the key candidates on 27 April 2023: PhD Tuija Saresma, PhD Heikki Uimonen, PhD Antti-Ville Villén and PhD Annamari Vänskä.

Expert statements on the qualification and merits of the applicants were requested from the following persons, based on the Dean's decision of 29 June 2023: Professor Ien Ang, Western Sydney University, Professor Janne Seppänen, University of Tampere, and Professor Kristin Kuutma, University of Tartu.

The Appointments Committee of the post of Professor, Cultural Studies, has proposed that PhD Tuija Saresma be appointed to the post. It is proposed that PhD Annamari Vänskä be the second-choice candidate, should Saresma not accept the offered post. The selection memorandum has been enclosed with this agenda item as an Appendix.

According to section 31 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, a person to be appointed to a permanent professorship or to a professorship that lasts for over two years shall be scientifically or artistically qualified, have good teaching skills and, if important for the

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

31 (36)

successful performance of their duties, have practical knowledge of the scope of the post.

PhD Tuija Saresma meets the qualification requirements of a professor referred to in section 31 of the UEF University Regulations. She is scientifically qualified for the post of Professor, Cultural Studies. By the decision of the Chair of the Appointments Committee, Saresma has been exempted from the requirement to give a trial lecture. The teaching skills of Saresma have been estimated to meet the requirements of section 31 of the UEF University Regulations (good teaching skills).

The Dean's proposal to the Rector is that PhD Tuija Saresma be appointed to the post of Professor, Cultural Studies, starting on 1 February 2024, or as agreed. PhD Annamari Vänskä will be the second-choice candidate. Vänskä has been exempted from the requirement to give a trial lecture. The teaching skills of Vänskä have been estimated to meet the requirements of section 31 of the UEF University Regulations (good teaching skills).

Motion The Dean will consult the Faculty Council on the proposal to appoint Tuija Saresma to the post of Professor, Cultural Studies. PhD Annamari Vänskä will be the second-choice candidate.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

32 (36)

- 21 Tuija Saresma's CV, teaching portfolio and list of publications (public)
- 22 Annamari Vänskä's CV, list of publications and portfolio of teaching merits (public)
- 23 Expert statement Ien Ang
- 24 Expert statement Kristin Kuutma
- 25 Expert statement Janne Seppänen
- 26 Selection memorandum, Professor, Cultural Studies

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

33 (36)

Record entry No 1067/00.03.11/2023

Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 11

Conferring an Honorary Doctorate

The University of Eastern Finland will hold a Doctoral Conferment Ceremony on the Joensuu campus on 6–8 June 2024. According to section 9 of the UEF University Regulations, the Faculty Council shall decide on the conferment of honorary doctorates.

Each faculty participating in the Doctoral Conferment Ceremony may propose 3-6 honorary doctors, from among whom the university's leadership will select the honorary doctors together with the faculties.

The Schools/Departments have made proposals to the Dean on the persons to be conferred an honorary doctorate. In the negotiations between the Rector and the Deans, it has been agreed that the Philosophical Faculty will propose six honorary doctorates.

Due to the confidential preparatory stage of the matter, the Dean of the faculty will present the honorary doctorates at the meeting. The matter will become public when all decisions on the conferment of honorary doctorates have been made. Once the matter becomes public, the university's communications unit will publish the names of the honorary doctorates of the faculties participating in the Doctoral Conferment Ceremony in a joint bulletin.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

34 (36)

Motion The Faculty Council decides to confer honorary doctorates to the persons proposed by the chair.

Decision As proposed.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

35 (36)

§ 12

Closing of the meeting

The chair closed the meeting at 11:49.

Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty

Meeting No 11/2023

Meeting date 19 December 2023

36 (36)

§ 13

Translation of the agenda/minutes

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

Appendices

27	Translation of the agenda, 19 December 2023
----	---