

## Minutes

Faculty Council of the Philosophical Faculty  
Meeting No 2/2024  
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**Date and time** 29 February 2024, 10:15 – 10:59

**Place/venue** Teams

Participants	Role	Present for items
Members		
Pietarinen Janne	Dean, Chair	1-11
Hirsto Laura	1st Vice Dean, Vice Chair	2-11
Manninen Jyri	Professor, member	
Honkalampi Kirsi	Professor, deputy member	1-11
Kurki Tuulikki	Professor, member	1-11
Riionheimo Helka	Professor, deputy member	
Juvonen Antti	Professor, member	1-11
Kantelinen Ritva	Professor, deputy member	
Kallinen Timo	Professor, member	1-11
Ubani Martin	Professor, deputy member	
Laasonen Marja	Professor, member	1-11
Virtanen Marianna	Professor, deputy member	
Kujamäki Minna	Other staff, member	
Venäläinen Juhana	Other staff, deputy member	1-11
Kasanen Kati	Other staff, member	
Tamminen Merja	Other staff, deputy member	1-2,4-11
Sormunen Kari	Other staff, member	1-11

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Kröger Tarja	Other staff, deputy member	
Mikkola Sini	Other staff, member	
Hurskainen Heta	Other staff, deputy member	1-9
Korkki Jyrki	Other staff, member	1-2,4-11
Räty-Záborszky Sinikka	Other staff, deputy member	
Uutela Tuuli	Student, member	1-2,4-11
Baljashkin Janina	Student, deputy member	1-2,4-11
Rissanen Tanja	Student, member	1-2,4-11
To be named later	Student, deputy member	
Saramäki Noora	Student, member	1-2,4-11
To be named later	Student, deputy member	
Nuutinen Niina-Hannele	Student, member	1-2,4-11
To be named later	Student, deputy member	
Backlund Lidia	Student, member	1-2,4-11
To be named later	Student, deputy member	
Nevalainen Henni	Executive Head of Administration, secretary, preparer	1-11
Other preparers		
Anttonen Salli	Amanuensis	1-4
Myllys Riikka	Study Coordinator	1-7

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### § 1

#### **Opening of the meeting**

The chair opened the meeting at 10:15.

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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 22 February 2024.

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 is approved.

**Decision**     As proposed.

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Record entry 289/03.04.09/2024

Prepared by Salli Anttonen

§ 3

### **Grading MEd Heli Mutanen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Adult Education**

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.

MEd Heli Mutanen's doctoral dissertation and study "Kamppailua toimijuudesta ja identiteeteistä: nuoret aikuiset koulutuksen ja työn marginaalissa ja aktivointitoimenpiteissä" was examined publicly on 2 February 2024. The opponent, Leading Senior Researcher, Docent Tomi Kiilakoski (Finnish Youth Research Network) and University Lecturer Maija Korhonen, the faculty representative, are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Education and propose the grade *eximia 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.

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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 - Kamppailua toimijuudesta ja identiteeteistä: Nuoret aikuiset koulutuksen ja työn marginaalissa ja aktivointitoimenpiteissä \(uef.fi\)](#)

**Motion** Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MEd Heli Mutanen's dissertation as *eximia cum laude approbatur*.

**Decision** As proposed.

### Appendices

- 1 Statement of the opponent Tomi Kiilakoski: grading of the doctoral dissertation, doctoral candidate Heli Mutanen
- 2 Statement of the faculty representative Maija Korhonen: grading of the doctoral dissertation, doctoral candidate Heli Mutanen



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- 4 Statement of the doctoral candidate on the statements: grading of the doctoral dissertation, doctoral candidate Heli Mutanen

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Record entry No 152/03.00.01/2024

Prepared by Riikka Myllys

§ 4

### **Approving the curricula and amendments to the curricula for Bachelor's and Master's degree education and confirming the courses offered to exchange students in the academic year 2024-2025**

According to section 9(4) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will decide on curricula, among other things. According to section 18 of the Education Regulations, the curriculum of each degree programme must indicate, among others, the degree structure (including the courses and their scope) and the desired learning outcomes, contents, methods of completion and assessment of the degree and its parts.

The curricula of the School of Theology and the School of Humanities (excluding logopedics) have been approved for the academic years 2021–2025 at the Faculty Council meeting of 24 March 2021. The curricula of the School of Applied Educational Science and Teacher Education, the School of Educational Sciences and Psychology, and Logopedics have been confirmed for the academic years 2022–2025 at the Faculty Council meeting of 23 February 2022.

The schools and departments of the Philosophical Faculty have prepared proposals for their curricula and amendments to the curricula for the academic year 2024–2025. In addition, the schools and departments have

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prepared the enclosed proposal on courses to be offered to exchange students in the academic year 2024-2025.

### Motion

The Faculty Council approves the curricula and amendments to the curricula for Bachelor's and Master's degree education for the academic year 2024–2025 in accordance with the Appendices and confirms the courses offered to exchange students in the academic year 2024–2025 as proposed.

### Decision

As proposed.

### Appendices

- 5 Amendments to the curricula of the School of Humanities for the academic year 2024–2025
- 6 Amendments to the curricula of the School of Educational Sciences and Psychology for the academic year 2024–2025
- 7 Amendments to the curricula of the School of Applied Educational Science and Teacher Education for the academic year 2024–2025
- 8 Amendments to the curricula of the School of Theology for the academic year 2024–2025
- 9 Courses for Exchange Students, Philosophical Faculty, Academic year 2024–2025

Record entry 3530/03.01.00/2023

Prepared by Riikka Myllys

§ 5

**Approving the admission criteria and curriculum for solution-oriented psychotherapist training and family and couples psychotherapist training**

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

Government Decree 1120/2010 amending the Decree on Health Professionals entered into force on 31 December 2011. Under section 2a of the Decree, the use of the protected title of a psychotherapist is subject to the condition that the person concerned has completed psychotherapist training organised by a university or by a university together with another training organisation. The skills required to work as a psychotherapist are acquired through studies whose scope must be 60 ECTS at the minimum and that consist of theoretical studies, supervised psychotherapist work with patients, educational psychotherapy and skills demonstration. Competence is proved through a skills demonstration. The university issues the student a certificate of the completion of the training.

The psychotherapist training organised by the Faculty of Health Sciences or the Philosophical Faculty of the University of Eastern Finland is professional development training for health professionals that leads to the professional title of a health care psychotherapist in accordance with the Government Decree (VNA 1120/2010). The trainings are managed by

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the Centre for Continuous Learning of the University of Eastern Finland. In professional development training, students do not have the status of a degree student. Selected students are granted a fixed term right to study in the training to which they have been selected.

The Academic Rector appointed a Steering Committee for psychotherapist training on 23 November 2023. The term of the Steering Committee is 4 years (2024–2027). The Steering Committee includes 3 full and deputy members from the Faculty of Health Sciences and 2 full and deputy members from the Philosophical Faculty. In addition, the Steering Committee includes 1 member and deputy member from the Centre for Continuous Learning.

A total of 20 students (7 students on a waiting list) will be admitted to the solution-oriented psychotherapist training that will start in autumn 2024 in accordance with the enclosed admission criteria. The planned application period is 1 March – 7 April 2024.

The scope of the solution-oriented psychotherapist training is 65 ECTS. The duration of the training is four academic years (2024–2028). The person in charge of the solution-oriented psychotherapist training, appointed by the Steering Committee for psychotherapist training, Professor Kirsi Honkalampi, has approved the enclosed curriculum. The person in charge of the education at UEF is Professor Kirsi Honkalampi and the main trainer is Trainer Psychotherapist Maiju Ahola from Helsinki Brief Therapy Institute Ltd.

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A total of 18 students (6 students on a waiting list) will be admitted to the family and couples psychotherapist training that will start in the spring 2025 in accordance with the enclosed admission criteria. The planned application period is 1 April – 25 August 2024.

The scope of the family and couples psychotherapist training is 71 ECTS. The duration of the training is four academic years (2025–2028). The person in charge of the family and couples psychotherapist training Hanna Koivisto, appointed by the Steering Committee for psychotherapist training, has approved the curriculum. The person in charge of the education at UEF is Hanna Koivisto/Iija den Herder, and the main trainer is Tapio Ikonen.

**Motion** The Faculty Council approves the student admission criteria and curricula for the solution-oriented psychotherapist training and the family and couples psychotherapist training in accordance with the appendices and delegates to the Dean the approval of any additions and corrections made to the curricula.

**Decision** As proposed.

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Prepared by Riikka Myllys

§ 6

### **Approving the admission criteria and curriculum for the Learning and teaching in digital environments (60 ECTS) specialisation studies for training that will begin in 2024**

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

The School of Applied Educational Science and Teacher Education has prepared a proposal for the curriculum for the Learning and teaching in digital environments specialisation studies that will begin in 2024, and the related student admission criteria.

**Motion** I propose that the Faculty Council approves the curriculum and student admission criteria for the Learning and teaching in digital environments specialisation studies that will begin in 2024 in accordance with the appendices.

**Decision** As proposed.

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| 15 | Admission criteria: Learning and teaching in digital environments specialisation studies 60 ECTS |
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Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 7

### **Granting the title of docent to PhD Laura Fielden Burns**

PhD Laura Fielden Burns has applied for the title of docent in European Language Education at the University of Eastern Finland. The application for the title of docent was initiated on 21 August 2023 at the Philosophical Faculty of the University of Eastern Finland.

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.

The School of Applied Educational Science and Teacher Education has considered the docentship applied for by PhD Laura Fielden Burns to be purposeful for the teaching and research of the School based on the following grounds: "The research activities by Fielden Burns focus on intercultural and linguistic competencies, English as a second language learning as well as motivation in language learning. The docentship support the collaboration what Laura Fielden Burns has done already several years with the school's researchers. In addition, the European Language Education is current, significant and support concretely the collaboration in thesis supervision and research collaboration. The docentship supports the research conducted in the school."

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According to section 9 of the UEF University Regulations, the Faculty Council shall decide on awarding the title of docent.

The Dean of the Philosophical Faculty decided (on 7 November 2023) to invite Docent, Researcher Emerita Leena Kuure (University of Oulu) and Assistant Professor, Dr. Ljiljana Knežević (University of Novi Sad, Serbia) as experts to provide statements on the scientific qualifications of PhD Laura Fielden Burns for the title of docent in European Language Education. Kuure and Knežević, the experts appointed by the Dean, are in favour of awarding the title of docent to Fielden Burns.

Fielden Burns holds the following degrees: PhD (English Studies) in 2015 (University of Extremadura, Spain), MA in 2004 (University of North Carolina, USA) and double undergraduate degrees (History and Spanish Philology) in 1999 (Appalachian State University, USA). Fielden Burns has acted in her current position as Associate Professor (University of Extremadura, Spain) since 1 April 2021 and as Head of International Affairs since 21 March 2023. (University of Extremadura). Her previous roles include, e.g., Professor in 2019-2021 (Universidad Internacional de Valencia) and Lecturer in 2012-2019 (Centro Universitario Santa Ana).

A person to be awarded the title of docent is required to have good teaching skills (Universities Act 558/2009). The Dean may exempt the applicant from the requirement to give a trial lecture if the teaching merits

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can be verified in some other manner in accordance with the faculty's instructions on awarding the title of docent. By a decision of 13 February 2024, the Dean has exempted Fielden Burns from the requirement to give a trial lecture and has determined her teaching merits based on the application documents.

### Motion

The Faculty Council states that PhD Laura Fielden Burns meets the criteria set for the title of docent in the Universities Act and awards the title of docent in European Language Education to Fielden Burns at the University of Eastern Finland.

### Decision

As proposed.

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Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 8

### **Professor, Swedish Language, description of the post and the Dean's proposal to invite Associate Professor Jaana Kolu to the post: hearing of the Faculty Council**

PhD Jaana Kolu has been appointed to the tenure track post of Associate Professor, Swedish Language, for the period 1 August 2020 – 31 July 2024. The position will be hosted by the faculty's School of Humanities.

The members of the Appointments Committee of the post, as referred to in section 30 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, are: Dean Janne Pietarinen (Chair), University Lecturer Esa Penttilä, Professor Ilkka Huhta, Professor Riitta Jääskeläinen, Professor Maarit Koponen, Executive Head of Administration Henni Nevalainen and Human Resources Coordinator Nina Miinalainen.

Based on the submitted documents, the Appointments Committee came to the conclusion that the prerequisites to initiate the invitation procedure are met. The Appointments Committee supported the initiation of an evaluation process at its meeting of 4 December 2023.

The description of the post and Kolu's CV, list of publications and teaching portfolio are enclosed with this agenda item.

According to section 33 of the Universities Act (558/2009), the professorship may be filled by invitation without a public notice of vacancy

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

According to section 10 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean will decide on the scope and specifications of the professor's position after consulting the Faculty Council. The Dean will decide whether the professor is required to have practical knowledge of the scope of the post. The Dean will make a proposal to the Rector on a person to be appointed as a professor for two years or more after consulting the Faculty Council.

The description of the post includes the scope and specifications of the post, as required by the UEF University Regulations, and a proposal on a person to be invited to the post.

The professor is not expected to have practical knowledge of the scope of the post.

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The description of the post is enclosed with this agenda item as an Appendix. The description of the post has been reviewed with the person to be invited to it.

**Motion** The Faculty Council will discuss the description of the post and the Dean's proposal on the person to be invited to it.

**Decision** As proposed.

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Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 9

### **The scope and specifications of the posts: University Lecturer, Craft Science, University Lecturer, Home Economics and University Lecturer, Language Pedagogy**

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 the posts that comply with the four-stage career model of the faculty's permanent teaching and research staff and Tenure Track positions.

The following specifications of the post by the School of Applied Educational Science and Teacher Education are enclosed with this agenda item as Appendices:

University Lecturer, Craft Science

University Lecturer, Home Economics

University Lecturer, Language Pedagogy

**Motion** The Faculty Council will address the scope and specifications of the post. Any required changes can be made to the descriptions of the posts after processing.

**Decision** As proposed.



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Prepared by Henni Nevalainen

§ 10

### For information

Performance report of degrees completed in 2023 for information.

**Motion**          Marked for information.

**Decision**        As proposed.

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### **Closing of the meeting**

The chair closed the meeting at 10:59.

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### **Translation of the minutes**

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