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**Date and time** 28 May 2024, 14:00 – 14:47

**Place** Teams

Participants	Role	Present for items
Members		
Pihlajamäki Jussi	Dean, Chair	5-21
Forsberg Markus	2nd Vice Dean, Vice Chair	1-4
Kauppinen Anu	Professor, member	1-21
Rautio Jarkko	Professor, deputy member	
Häggman-Laitila Arja	Professor, member	1-21
Malm Tarja	Professor, deputy member	
Jääskeläinen Jarmo	Professor, member	1-21
Keski-Nisula Leea	Professor, deputy member	
Tuomainen Tomi-Pekka	Professor, member	1-21
Peltomäki Timo	Professor, deputy member	
Heinäniemi Merja	Professor, member	1-19
Tohka Jussi	Professor, deputy member	
Jalkanen Aaro	Staff, member	1-21
Huttunen Kristiina	Staff, deputy member	
Kotikumpu Kari	Staff, member	1-21
Parviainen Anndra	Staff, deputy member	
Heikkilä Reeta	Staff, member	1-21
Sutinen Tiina	Staff, deputy member	1-21
Lahtela-Kakkonen Maija	Staff, member	1-21

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Toroi Riitta-Liisa	Staff, member	1-21
Kanninen Katja	Staff, deputy member	
Suurnäkki-Piispa Mira	Student, member	1-21
Riikkilä Onni	Student, deputy member	
Omale Inikpi	Student, member	1-21
To be named later	Student, deputy member	
Tariq Amina	Student, member	
To be named later	Student, deputy member	
Gunnar Janina	Student, member	1-21
Ikonen Ella	Student, deputy member	
Zacheus Teemu	Student, member	
Lehtonen Anne	Student, deputy member	1-21
Ollikainen-Richards Hanna	Executive Head of Administration, secretary, preparer	1-21
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Karvonen Annika	Amanuensis	1-21

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### **Opening of the meeting**

The chair opened the meeting at 14:00.

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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 21 May 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. The order of the agenda items was altered due to disqualification: item 11 was moved to the end of the meeting and item 12 was moved to the beginning of the meeting.

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§ 3

### **Grading MSc Valeria Iannonen's doctoral dissertation**

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 January 2024), 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 Valeria Iannonen's doctoral dissertation and study "[Molecular perspectives on MASLD: Pathogenesis and a novel therapeutic approach. Insights into MASLD development and progression & exploring advanced microbial therapeutics along with dietary changes in mice](#)" was examined publicly on 8 May 2024. The opponent, Associate Professor Chi Bun Chan (University of Hong Kong) is in favour of the doctoral dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in philosophy and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Professor Maria Rescigno (Humanitas University) and Professor Inari Kursula (University of Oulu) 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

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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 MSc Valeria Iannonen's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

### **Decision**

As proposed. Jussi Pihlajamäki did not participate in the processing of the matter (disqualified due to a special reason). The chair was Vice Dean Markus Forberg.

### Appendices

- 1 Preliminar examiner\_Rescigno\_statement\_Iannone
- 2 Preliminary examiner\_Kursula\_statement\_Iannone
- 3 Opponent\_Chan\_statement\_Iannone



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§ 4

**The Dean's proposal to the Academic Rector on the person to be appointed as Clinical Lecturer, Psychiatry: Hearing of the Faculty Council**

According to the UEF University Regulations, 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.

A call for applications was organised for the post of Clinical Lecturer (psychiatry) that will be effective until further notice by the Institute of Clinical Medicine of the University of Eastern Finland's School of Medicine.

One applicant submitted their application to the post by the deadline: Mikko Joensuu.

A person to be appointed as Clinical Lecturer shall hold a suitable doctoral degree. For a special reason, a person who has completed a specialist degree in medicine or dentistry or a person who has the right to act as a specialist in medicine or dentistry may be appointed as Clinical Lecturer. Furthermore, a person to be appointed as Clinical Lecturer shall have good teaching skills (section 31 of the UEF University Regulations).

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Members of the university's teaching and research staff are required to have command of the language they give teaching in (Finnish or Swedish) (Government Decree on Universities 770/2009). The Dean of the faculty can grant an exemption from the language proficiency requirements laid down in the Government Decree on Universities (UEF University Regulations, section 33).

The Institute of Clinical Medicine proposes in its proposal (Appendix) that MD, medical specialist Mikko Joensuu be appointed to the said post of Clinical Lecturer from 1 August 2024 until further notice. The Head of the School of Medicine supports the proposal.

Mikko Joensuu received a specialist degree in psychiatry in 2013 and a doctoral degree in medicine in 2019 from the University of Eastern Finland.

Mikko Joensuu's CV and list of publications are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

A trial lecture is required.

In accordance with the regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean will make a proposal to the Academic Rector on the fulfilment of posts, excluding professors, that comply with the four-stage career model.

## Motion

The Faculty Council will discuss the proposal.

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**Decision** As proposed.

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| 5 | List of publications Joensuu Mikko                    |
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**The Dean's proposal to the Academic Rector on the person to be appointed as Clinical Lecturer, Internal Medicine in particular rheumatology: Hearing of the Faculty Council**

According to the UEF University Regulations, 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.

A call for applications was organised for the post of Clinical Lecturer (Internal Medicine, in particular rheumatology) that will be effective until further notice by the Institute of Clinical Medicine of the University of Eastern Finland's School of Medicine.

Two applicants submitted their applications to the post by the deadline: Pia Elfving and Chris Mohamed Gassama Ntwa.

A person to be appointed as Clinical Lecturer shall hold a suitable doctoral degree. For a special reason, a person who has completed a specialist degree in medicine or dentistry or a person who has the right to act as a specialist in medicine or dentistry may be appointed as Clinical Lecturer. Furthermore, a person to be appointed as Clinical Lecturer shall have good teaching skills (section 31 of the UEF University Regulations).

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Members of the university's teaching and research staff are required to have command of the language they give teaching in (Finnish or Swedish) (Government Decree on Universities 770/2009). The Dean of the faculty can grant an exemption from the language proficiency requirements laid down in the Government Decree on Universities (UEF University Regulations, section 33).

Of the applicants, Pia Elfving meets the qualification requirements set for the post.

The Institute of Clinical Medicine proposes in its proposal (Appendix) that MD, specialist in rheumatology Pia Elfving be appointed to the said post of Clinical Lecturer from 1 August 2024 until further notice. The Head of the School of Medicine supports the proposal.

Pia Elfving received a specialist degree in rheumatology in 2010 and a doctoral degree in medicine in 2018 from the University of Eastern Finland.

Pia Elfving's CV and list of publications are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

No trial lecture will be required.

In accordance with the regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean will make a proposal to the Academic Rector on the fulfilment of posts, excluding professors, that comply with the four-stage career model.

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**Motion**      The Faculty Council will discuss the proposal.

**Decision**     As proposed.

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### **A post of Professor/Associate Professor of Sports and Exercise Medicine (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 Biomedicine of the University of Eastern Finland propose that the post of a Professor/Associate Professor of Sports and Exercise Medicine (Tenure Track) be filled at the institute.

The post will be hosted by the Faculty of Health Sciences, the School of Medicine, the Institute of Biomedicine.

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 January 2025 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 January 2025 at the earliest. The post is filled for a fixed term due to it being a Tenure Track position.

The criteria, goals 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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A description of the post, Sports and Exercise Medicine

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### **A post of Professor/Associate Professor of Urology (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 Urology (Tenure Track) 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.

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The criteria, goals 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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### **A part time (50%) post of Professor/Associate Professor of General Practice (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 Public Health and Clinical Nutrition of the University of Eastern Finland propose that a part-time (50%) post of a Professor/Associate Professor of General Practice (Tenure Track) be filled at the institute.

The post will be hosted by the Faculty of Health Sciences, the School of Medicine, the Institute of Public Health and Clinical Nutrition.

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 October 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 October 2024 at the earliest. The post is filled for a fixed term due to it being a Tenure Track position.

The criteria, goals 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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Description of the post, general practice

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§ 9

### **The Dean's proposal on the scope and specifications of permanent posts that comply with the four-stage career model: 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.

The following post is about to be opened for application:

The School of Medicine, Institute of Clinical Medicine:

The post of Clinical Lecturer, Clinical Chemistry, from 1 September 2024 until further notice.

The Clinical Lecturer is responsible for the teaching of clinical chemistry to Bachelor's and Master's degree students of medicine, for the supervision of advanced level theses, for participating in the planning and development of teaching in the subject, in administrative tasks related to teaching, in research activities and in the planning and supervision of specialisation training.

The Dean is expected to decide, after hearing the Faculty Council, on the scope of the post in accordance with the proposal.



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**Motion**      The Faculty Council will discuss the proposal.

**Decision**     As proposed.



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§ 10

### Grading MSc Lasse Alajärvi's doctoral dissertation

MSc Lasse Alajärvi's doctoral dissertation and study "[Medicating the environment".Finnish population's perspectives on the environmental sustainability of pharmaceuticals](#)" was examined publicly on 3 May 2024.

The opponent, Professor Meri Koivusalo (University of Tampere) 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, DSc (Pharmacy) Juha Turunen (Pfizer Oy) and Professor Björn Wettermark (Uppsala University) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a degree in Philosophy and propose the grade Pass.

According to section 44 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), before a doctoral dissertation is graded, the author must be given an opportunity to submit his or her response to the preliminary examiner's, the examiner's or the opponent's statement. The doctoral candidate has no comments on the statements. The statements of the preliminary examiners and the opponent are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

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

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study attainments of an equivalent level or who have been appointed professors.

### Motion

Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MSc Lasse Alajärvi's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

### Decision

As proposed.

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§ 11

### **Grading MSc Mustafa Beter's doctoral dissertation**

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland (1 January 2024), 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 Mustafa Beter's doctoral dissertation and study "Angiogenesis: Assay Development, Analysis and Epigenetic Modulation" was examined publicly on 5 April 2024. The opponent, Professor Adrian Harris (University of Oxford) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in philosophy and proposes the grade Pass. The preliminary examiner, Professor Anna Dimberg (Uppsala University) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass with distinction. The preliminary examiner, Docent Sinem Karaman (University of Helsinki) 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

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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 MSc Mustafa Beter's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed.

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§ 12

### **Grading Lic.Med. Satu Kotikoski's doctoral dissertation**

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Lic.Med. Satu Kotikoski's doctoral dissertation and study "[Saccular intracranial aneurysm disease and hypertensive disorders in Eastern Finland](#)" was examined publicly on 3 May 2024. The opponent, Associate Professor Christine Kremer (Lund University) is in favour of the doctoral dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in medicine and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Docent Jussi Posti (University of Turku) and Docent Teemu Luoto (Tampere University Hospital) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in medicine and propose the grade Pass.

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

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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. Satu Kotikoski's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed.

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### **Grading Lic.Med. Heikki Lukkarinen's doctoral dissertation**

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Lic.Med. Heikki Lukkarinen's doctoral dissertation and study "[Cerebrospinal fluid biomarkers of neurodegeneration in idiopathic normal pressure hydrocephalus](#)" was examined publicly on 20 April 2024. The opponent, Professor Dietmar R. Thal (KU Leuven) 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 Janne Koskimäki (University of Chicago) and Professor Mika Martikainen (University of Oulu) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in medicine and propose the grade Pass.

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

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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.

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**Motion** Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades Lic.Med. Heikki Lukkarinen's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed.

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| 23 | Esitarkastaja_Koskimäki_lausunto_Lukkarinen   |
| 24 | Opponent_Thal_statement_Lukkarinen            |
| 25 | Esitarkastaja_Martikainen_lausunto_Lukkarinen |



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### **Grading MHSc Sanna Luokkamäki's doctoral dissertation**

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MHSc Sanna Luokkamäki's doctoral dissertation and study ["Sairaanhoitajien lääkehoidon osaaminen ja lääkehoidon 3D-peli osaamisen varmistamisessa ja kehittämisessä"](#) was examined publicly on 12 April 2024. The opponent, Professor Elina Haavisto (University of Tampere) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in health sciences and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Professor Mari Kangasniemi (University of Turku) and Docent Miia Jansson (University of Oulu) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in health sciences 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 MHSc Sanna Luokkamäki's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed.

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| 26 | Esitarkastaja_Kangasniemi_lausunto_Luokkamäki |
| 27 | Esitarkastaja_Jansson_lausunto_Luokkamäki     |
| 28 | Vastaväittäjä_Haavisto_lausunto_Luokkamäki    |

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### **Grading Lic.Med. Laura Mikkola's doctoral dissertation**

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Lic.Med. Laura Mikkola's (formerly Pietiläinen) doctoral dissertation and study "[Premorbid functional status as a long-term outcome predictor in intensive care](#)" was examined publicly on 22 April 2024. The opponent, Docent Minna Tallgren (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 with distinction. Both preliminary examiners, Docent Maarit Vuorela (University of Turku) and Docent Anna-Maria Koivusalo (University of Helsinki) are in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in medicine and propose the grade Pass.

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

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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 Lic.Med. Laura Mikkola's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed.

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| 29 | Esitarkastaja_Wuorela_lausunto_Pietiläinen   |
| 30 | Esitarkastaja_Koivusalo_lausunto_Pietiläinen |
| 31 | Vastaväittäjä_Tallgren_lausunto_Mikkola      |

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§ 16

### **Grading MSc Blair Rajamäki's doctoral dissertation**

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MSc Blair Rajamäki's doctoral dissertation and study "Comorbidities, mortality, and hip fracture outcomes among persons with Alzheimer's disease - A Finnish nationwide register-based study" was examined publicly on 22 April 2024. The opponent, Professor Maria Eriksdotter (Karolinska Institutet) 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, Research Professor Ilmo Keskimäki (the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare (THL)) and Associate Professor Danijela Gnjjidic (University of Sydney) 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

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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 MSc Blair Rajamäki's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed.

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| 32 | Preliminary examiner_Keskimäki_statement_Rajamäki |
| 33 | Preliminary examiner_Gnjidic_statement_Rajamäki   |
| 34 | Opponent_Eriksdotter_statement_Rajamäki           |

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### **Grading MSc Mai Vu's doctoral dissertation**

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MSc Mai Vu's doctoral dissertation and study "[Cardiovascular drug utilization and postoperative outcomes of coronary artery revascularization procedures in people with Alzheimer's disease](#)" was examined publicly on 12 April 2024. The opponent, Professor Jenni Kulmala (University of Tampere) 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 Kristina Johnell (Karolinska Institutet) and Associate Professor Pavla Čermáková (Charles 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

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

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

**Motion** Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MSc Mai Vu's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed.

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| 35 | Opponent_Kulmala_statement_Vu               |
| 36 | Preliminary examiner_Johnell_statement_Vu   |
| 37 | Preliminary examiner_Cermakova_statement_Vu |



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Prepared by Susanna Järvelin-Pasanen

§ 18

**Approving the admission criteria and curriculum for the training preparing dentists who have completed their degree outside the EU/EEA for competency examinations (PÄTE training)**

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

To be able to work as dentists in Finland, persons who have completed their dentist education outside the EU/EEA, must have been granted the right to practise the profession in Finland by Valvira. The University of Turku and the University of Eastern Finland provide preparatory training for the qualification process. The University of Helsinki will implement the selection process related to the training.

Education does not lead to a degree. Four (4) places have been proposed for the training implemented at the University of Eastern Finland. The duration of the training is 4.5 months (08/2024–12/2024) and it includes on-campus and remote teaching provided in Finnish.

Students admitted to the training are granted a separate right to study at the Faculty of Health Sciences in the University of Eastern Finland. The separate right to study is granted for a fixed term (according to the duration of the training). The right to study enables participation in

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Bachelor's and Master's degree level courses in dentistry, in accordance with the participants' personal study plan. The curriculum for the Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes in dentistry are confirmed annually by the Faculty Council. The separate right to study only applies to this education and to the courses included in it.

The Institute of Dentistry of the School of Medicine has prepared a proposal for the admission criteria for the training that prepares dentists who have completed their degree outside the EU/EEA for competency examinations (Appendix 1) and a proposal for a curriculum (Appendix 2).

### Motion

The Faculty Council approves the admission criteria for the training that prepares dentists who have completed their degree outside the EU/EEA for competency examinations (PÄTE training) and the curriculum as proposed and authorises the Dean to make technical changes to them.

### Decision

As proposed.

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| 38 | Annex 1. Admission criteria for PÄTE training 2024 |
| 39 | Annex 2. Curriculum for PÄTE training, autumn 2024 |

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### For information

[Matter]

**Motion**      Marked for information.

**Decision**      As proposed.

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### **Grading MSc Vanesa Tomas Bosch's doctoral dissertation**

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MSc Vanesa Tomas Bosch's doctoral dissertation and study "[The emerging role of non-coding RNAs in endothelial cell gene regulation](#)", was examined publicly on 8 May 2024. The opponent, Professor Reinier Boon (Goethe University Hospital) is in favour of the doctoral dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in philosophy and proposes the grade Pass. Both preliminary examiners, Associate Professor Riikka Kivelä (Wihuri Research Institute) and PhD Matjaz Barboric (University of Helsinki) are in favour of the doctoral dissertation being approved as a thesis for a 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.

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**Motion** Based on the statements, the Faculty Council grades MSc Vanesa Tomas Bosch's doctoral dissertation as Pass.

**Decision** As proposed. Merja Heinäniemi did not participate in the processing of the matter (disqualified due to a special reason).

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| 41 | Opponent_Boon_statement_Tomas Bosch                 |
| 42 | Preliminary examiner_Kivelä_statement_Tomas Bosch   |
| 43 | Preliminary examiner_Barboric_statement_Tomas Bosch |

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### **Closing of the meeting**

The chair closed the meeting at 14:47.

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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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