



A G E N D A

Programme Committee for Master programme in Global Health

Date and time: Monday 31 May 2021 at 14.30 to 16.00

Venue: Zoom, click this link to join:

<https://uib.zoom.us/j/61508161722?pwd=OFZ4azNDbUtFemFIOHc0SThaaEF1Zz09>

Members: Karen Marie Moland; Thorkild Tylleskär; Cecilie Svanes; David Lackland Sam; Bente Moen (Head of CIH); Tehmina Mustafa; Ingunn Marie S. Engebretsen, Stein Atle Lie (IKO); Sven Gudmund Hinderaker; Ingvild Fossgard Sandøy; student representatives: Kala Chand Debnath (2nd year), Mudasar Iqbal and Marta Wysocka (1st year)

From the administration: Linda Karin Forshaw

I Approval of the Agenda

II Minutes from the Programme Committee meeting on 22 March (Encl. 1)

III Matters arising from the minutes

Subject 18/21 Matters of information

New Head of Programme Committee

Bente and Karen Marie have sent a letter to the Faculty suggesting that they appoint Ingvild Fossgard Sandøy as new Head of the Programme Committee from the Autumn semester.

Admissions

- Offers for admission were sent 29 April to 50 international applicants (INTGRAD and EU/EØS/Switzerland), the deadline for accepting was 7 May.
- Master admissions for Norwegian, Nordic or other persons residing in Norway - Assessment 7 to 11 June.

Time schedule for autumn courses 2021 and rooms

The dates and timeslots for the autumn courses were registered in March. Due to the COVID-19 measures the capacity of all seminar rooms and auditoriums is reduced. As of now the capacity for Seminar room 438 at Overlege Danielsens Hus is reduced to 20 students. It is difficult to predict what will happen in the autumn, but this room is booked for most of the semester. However, there are some exceptions (SDG303 and INTH315). We have to compete for rooms with other courses from our Department and from the Faculty of Psychology.

Quality reporting 2021

The report was sent to the Faculty 23 April (Encl. 2 in Norwegian)

Graduation celebration

The Committee decided at its last meeting to have an online celebration for the graduating Master students. The date for the Graduation celebration is set to Thursday 17 June at 3.00 p.m. The content will be decided later, a working committee should be appointed.

Subject 19/21 ECTS credits for INTH326 and INTH330A

Follow up of from previous meetings (Subject 5/21 and Subject 14/21).

Background: There is an imbalance in the ECTS credits for compulsory courses/activities versus elective courses. Almost all our Master students have too many ECTS credits when they take the Master exam, the requirement is a total of 60 ECTS credits. The Faculty has criticized this and has asked us to reorganize our courses. The compulsory courses/activities add up to 46 ECTS credits, so there are only 14 ECTS credits left over for elective courses. The head and secretary had two suggestions; 1) to reduce the 6 ECTS credits for *Research Seminars* (INTH326) to 5 ECTS credits, which the Committee decided at its last meeting. 2) to reduce the 10 ECTS credits for *Proposal development* (INTH330A) to 5 ECTS credits. The Committee have already agreed on the suggestion for credit reduction for INTH326.

Suggested decision: The Committee decides to reduce the ECTS credits from 10 to 5 for INTH330A (from the next cohort).

Subject 20/21 Reorganization of INTH330A

There is one week introductory course on proposal development for first year students at the end of the autumn semester. The students must prepare their proposals from January to 15 April (submission date). The students' proposals that have not been approved have previously been allowed to resubmit later (not a set date). This has resulted in long delays for the proposal to be registered as approved which the Faculty has commented critically on. The course coordinators Tehmina and Karen Marie in cooperation with the administration decided to give the grade "Fail" to the students with unapproved proposals (this year three). They have been given a resubmission deadline 7 June. Another issue is that this year, as previous years, many students have asked for extensions. 6 students have been given an extension until 14 May, one until 29 May and one until 1 September. The coordinators would appreciate if the Committee could discuss how to organize this so long delays can be avoided.

Suggested decision: To be decided after discussion.

Subject 21/21 New global nutrition course

Follow up of from last meeting (Subject 15/21).

The Master Programme in Clinical Nutrition has requested that Professor Ingunn Engebretsen, who is the course coordinator for the course *Global Nutrition* (INTH360), makes a shorter version of the course which is compulsory for master students in clinical nutrition. The course should be reduced from 5 to 4 ECTS for this student group. Thus, the course will then have two course codes with varying assignments. The existing INTH360 course with 5 ECTS will be open as an elective course and continue with an essay and exam. The 4 ECTS course will only have one written exam. The course should have a separate course code which reflects that it is a course in nutrition but that it is offered by CIH/IGS. Ingunn suggests either NUTRINTH or INTHNUTR.

Suggested decision: ?

Subject 22/21 Elective courses Spring 2021

How did the change to online teaching go? The Committee should discuss the challenges and lessons learned.

How will we use our earned digital competence to improve access and quality of teaching and learning in the future?

Suggested decision: To be decided after discussion.

Subject 23/21 Elective courses Spring 2022 and planned sabbaticals in the academic year 2021/2022

The Committee should discuss whether the elective courses should be digital or on campus next year. Which elective courses will be offered? A tentative schedule for courses should be made. The Committee must have an overview of how many course coordinators who plan to have sabbaticals in the academic year 2021/2022, in order to plan who will take on responsibility for courses.

Suggested decision: To be decided after discussion.

Subject 24/21 Literature review projects

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic many students have chosen literature review projects. Ingunn has suggested that two Master students can cooperate and write their Master Thesis together. The Committee should discuss the suggestion.

Suggested decision: To be decided after discussion.

Subject 25/21 Meetings autumn semester 2021

The Committee should agree on dates for two to three meetings in the autumn semester (on even weeks).

Suggested decision: To be decided after discussion.

Subject 26/21 Report from the student representatives

Subject 27/21 Internal evaluation of the programme

We were earlier this year to conduct an internal evaluation of the master's programme by May 2021, but the deadline has recently been changed to 2023. We should discuss whether we should complete the evaluation that was planned for 2021.

Subject 28/21 Any other business