

Dear Colleagues,

I would like to thank all of you for the great work done during the academic year that is now coming to an end and for being wonderful colleagues!

I really feel privileged to work with so many talented, hard-working and nice colleagues and I look forward to meeting you again over summer and to a new academic year with many new opportunities!

Wishing you a very nice weekend and a nice summer!

Inge





The Dean's Blog - Gunn Mangerud

The Dean's blog aims to inform us of ongoing work and processes at The Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. Her latest posts:

- Fakultet for naturvitenskap og teknologi
- Solide søkertall til våre studier

Congratulations, Frances!

Congratulations to Dr. Frances Rosamond who has just been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of New South Wales, Australia. The Society was established in 1821 and traces its origin to the Philosophical Society of Australasia, the oldest learned society in the Southern Hemisphere. It was formed "with a view to enquiring into the various branches of physical science of this vast continent (Australia) and its adjacent regions". It 1866, it was Chartered by the Queen of UK and renamed the Royal Society of New South Wales. Fellowship may be conferred on leaders in their fields and is an honour gazetted under vice-regal authority by the Governor of New South Wales.



Dr. Rosamond and Dr. Mike Fellows, both Professors Emeritus from our department, have taken new positions as Distinguished International Research Professors at the Lebanese American University in Beirut, also with a campus in New York City. At LAU, they will help establish the Parameterized Complexity and AI Research Centre. They look forward to continued collaboration with the Algorithms Group and with AI at UiB.

Welcome, new colleagues!



Hanna Balaka

Hanna Balaka is originally from Ukraine, but did her Master's degree at our department with the visualization group. She is now joining the group as a PhD candidate with Laura Garrison as her supervisor.

Welcome back, Hanna!

Current issues

New employee pages

The employee page (formerly called the personal page), the editing page and the "Find employees" page have been updated with a new look June 2024. Please note that during the transition to the new pages, the website may occasionally be unstable, and errors may occur.

You must be connected to the UiB network to be able to edit your employee page. If you are outside UiB, you must <u>use a VPN to log in</u>. There are two ways to log in to edit your employee page:

Method 1: Go to profile.uib.no and log in with Feide.

Method 2: Find your employee page at uib.no/en/find-employees/ firstname.lastname and click on the "Edit"-button in the top right corner. If you are already logged in with Feide, you will be directed straight to the editing page. If you are not logged in, you will be asked to log in first.

After you save your changes on profile.uib.no, it might take up to 15 minutes for your changes to be visible on your employee page.

Read more about employee pages here.

UiB AI #11: AI, Ethics, Aesthetics

13th of September 10:00-12:00 Nygårdsgaten 5

Save the date!

More info about the next UiB AI seminar will be released right after the summer.

See the UiB calendar event here: UiB Al #11

Collegial Teaching and Learning in STEM Education Course

MNPED660 Collegial Teaching and Learning in STEM Education (5 ECTS) is an elective teaching and learning course in higher education for all MN-UiB staff ⁽¹⁾. The course is given in English and requires no previous pedagogical training. Both experienced and novice teachers and staff are welcome. This course can count as part of the basic pedagogical competence requirement at UiB.

The course introduces you to core concepts of teaching and learning in higher education to develop your ability to improve student learning and learning environment. Activities in the course will provide participants with a common language for teaching and learning, support collegial reflections and a scholarly approach to teaching and learning. The main component of the course is a group project, addressing a teaching and learning issue of relevance to the participants' own practice.

Application/Admission

All staff at our faculty are eligible to apply. You may apply as a group of colleagues or individually. Apply here by 2 September 2024.: https://skjemaker.app.uib.no/view.php?id=17308622

Questions? Contact oddfrid.forland@uib.no or sehoya.cotner@uib.no



UiB Ferd Career Centre supports doctoral candidates, postdoctoral fellows, researchers and associate professors. We offer a range of services designed to help you develop your career within or beyond the university. You can read more and sign up for the UiB Ferd newsletter here.

The UiB University Library and its <u>Digital Lab</u> offer a wide range of interesting courses and events – please find more information in the <u>calendar</u>.

Our competitors in newsletterology

Did you know there are other people who also make newsletters?

Here are a few that may be relevant to you:

- Newsletter for international UiB staff
- UiB Ferd newsletter
- Nytt fra W4-prosjektet (In Norwegian, only available to UiB employees)
- Eitri Medical Incubator

Vacant positions

- PhD Research Fellow in Medical Visualization
- PhD Research Fellow in Algorithms
- PhD Research Fellow in Causal Decision Making

See all open positions at UiB

Health, Safety and Environment

Safety representatives look after the employees' interests in matters concerning the working environment, are involved in UiB's health, environment and safety work, and collaborate with employees, trustees (tillitsvalgte) and leaders.

All employees within a protected area / main protected area have the right to propose candidates. Safety representatives should be chosen among employees

who have experience and insight into the organization's working conditions.

Safety representatives, 2023-2024:

- Stefanie Meyer
- Kine-Marie Fleime Møll (deputy)

Please visit our department's HSE page for info about our health and safety efforts.

Upcoming Funding Opportunities

Please contact research coordinator <u>Stefanie Meyer</u> if you plan to apply. All applications need to be approved by the department leadership before submission. By following the link, you can find out more about our <u>research support services</u>.



FRIPRO: The Research Council of Norway has published information about the current FRIPRO (groundbreaking research) calls on their website.

- Researcher Project for Experienced Scientists (FRIPRO)
- Researcher Project for Early Career Scientists (FRIPRO)
- Three-year Researcher Project with International Mobility (FRIPRO)

Application deadline: open-ended



Support for events: In 2024, there are also <u>funds</u> available within the portfolio of Enabling technologies!

Application deadline: open-ended



Abel Prize: The <u>Abel Prize</u> recognizes "pioneering scientific achievements in mathematics".

Nomination deadline: 1 September 2024



<u>Indo-Norwegian Cooperation Programme</u> in Higher Education and Research - INCP2:

The Norwegian Directorate for Higher Education and Skills (HK-dir) and the University Grants Commission (UGC) India, announce up to NOK 32 000 000, - \approx INR 262 080 000, - in joint grants (50/50 from each side) to project partnerships between Norwegian and Indian higher education institutions.

An application must involve at least two higher education institutions, one based in Norway and one in India. <u>Please contact the BOA team if you intend to apply for this grant.</u>

Application deadline: 13 August 2024 at 15:00