

Study Board of CAS



MINUTES

29 APRIL 2024

Forum Study Board of CAS

**STUDY BOARD FOR AFRICAN
STUDIES**

Meeting held 29 April 2024, 10.30 - 12.00

Place 8B-1-33, Faculty of Theology

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Present

Stig Eduard Breitenstein Jensen (ViP), George Kobina Ackom (stud.), Longxin Liu (stud), Marlene Ringgaard Lorensen (Head of Studies), Maj-Britt Johanssen (Director of Studies), Stephan Reinemer (secretary)

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Agenda

Ad 1) Approval: Agenda (chair)

The Study Board approved the suggested agenda for the meeting.

Ad 2) Approval: Minutes (chair)

The Study Board approved the minutes from the last study board meeting, March 2023.

Ad 3) Discussion: Matters arisen from approval of minutes (sec.)

The Study Board discussed the status of items decided on at the last meeting.

Ad 4) Approval: Applications to the Study Board (sec.)

The Study Board processed applications to the Study Board in a closed session.

The Study Board discussed whether to annul or award extra attempts – rejected.

The Study Board discussed an application to award an online exam – granted.

Ad 5) Discussion: Review of Program Statement 2023 - Follow-up plan

The Board reviewed the progress of the Follow-up Plan for the Program Statement 2023 and concluded that the issue of study progression is making good progress.

Ad 6) Approval: Review of study information at KUnet

The Study Board decided not to set up a committee to review the student information pages because larger changes are upcoming shortly.

Ad 7) Information: Annual meeting with the censor chairmanship

Postponed. The chairman will report on 3 June 2024.

Ad 8) Information: Study start 2024

The Study Board reviewed the preliminary program for Study Start 2024.

The Student Counsellor reported that the good feedback from last year influenced the decision to largely copy the program this year. The Study Trip is planned for Aarhus, the same venue as last year. The Board approved the program.

Ad 9) Discussion: Internationalization report and annual report from the Student Counsellors

The study board discussed the annual reports on internationalisation and student counselling.

The internationalisation report regards the whole faculty (all programs). For African Studies outgoing students are 2/3 of the students is attending Field Studies.

Full Degree Students are on decline – however is historical fluctuant.

The Annual Report from the student counsellor reported that the last year the faculty has kept up the number of events – which is satisfactory for a faculty our size.

Open House events has had a good attendance, with a well working format.

Regarding the Study Environment Survey 2021 the Board discussed whether to give feedback shortly after exam or wait until the complaints period are over (2 weeks).

A student representative mentioned that it what unclear how to complain about an exam or grade.

Ad 10) Discussion: Review of Study Environment surveys 2023

The student counselling presented the study environment surveys on well-being and learning.

CAS students participated in large numbers.

The reports showed clear improvements compared to 2021. There are still specific issues to address, but overall, they confirm a well-functioning study environment.

There is good focus on CAS students' involvement in the program and inclusion in the group.

Students found that they get a good introduction to the university and activities outside the university.

Ad 11) Information on minor issues

None

Ad 12) Point of discussion raised by the Head of Studies

The Head of Studies informed about the ongoing accreditation process.

Ad 13) Point of discussion raised on behalf of the student counsellor.

None

Ad 14) Study Board Calendar & Annual Cycle

The Study Board visited the board calendar and revised the annual cycle.

Ad 15) Other business

The Chair reported on the much-delayed process on two of the courses for the upcoming semesters.