

The Study Board of CAS



**NOTICE OF MEETING**

24 NOVEMBER 2025

**Forum** The Study Board of CAS

**Study Board for African Studies**

**Meeting date** 7 November 9 – 10.30

KAREN BLIXENS PLADS 16

**Place** The Faculty of Theology - 6B-0-36

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**Minute taker** Louise W Diamant (adm)

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**Present** Stig Jensen (ViP, chair), Abe Moedt (stud.), Nora Elisabeth Götzmann (stud.), Louise W Diamant (adm.), Florian Wöller (SL), Francis Ethelbert Kwabena Benyah (VIP)

**Absent**

**Agenda**

**1. Approval: Welcome & Agenda (chair)**

The Study Board approves the suggested agenda for the meeting.  
The agenda was approved.

**2. Approval: Minutes (chair)**

The Study Board approves the minutes from the last study board meeting, 29 September 2025.  
The minutes were approved.

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

The Study Board discusses status of items decided on last meeting

Since the last Study Board meeting a meeting has been called to discuss the implementation of AI and how the process should be to include VIP and the students as well.

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

The Study Board processes applications to the Study Board. Closed session. No application at time of agenda.

**5. The examination period of the Advanced Research Methods course (ARM). (Follow up from the last SB meeting)**

The Study Board discusses topic based on feedback and insights from Mads Yding (main lecturer) and Karen Lauterbach (Course responsible and examiner)

Louise will contact Undervisning og Eksamen about the registration period of the Summer reexam for the course Advanced Research Methodology.

**6. Discussion: Exam statistics**

The Study Board reviews exam statistics from the previous academic year Winter and Summer exams (W24/25 & S25)

The Study Board discussed the exam statistics. Stig noted that the overall grade average of the students is good for both the Winter and Summer exams. Stig noted further that documentation like the exam statistics is valuable information to secure the continued quality assurance of the African Studies programme.

For future statistics, the Study Board would like to have the numbers for how many students have attended the exams to have a fuller insight into the grade averages.

**7. Discussion: Course evaluation and course evaluation summary of the Spring semester 2025**

The Study Board discusses results of the teaching evaluation Spring 2025 and proposes actions for the Head of Studies.

The Study Board discussed the course evaluation and course evaluation summaries for the Spring semester 2025. Stig and Florian noted that there is overall satisfaction among both teachers and students with the programme. Many of the students have expressed satisfaction with the learning environment, academic content of the courses and teaching methods.

Equally, the teachers express satisfaction with the engagement of the students in the courses and the learning environment as well.

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The challenge with course evaluations now is that the response rates are low. This is since the evaluations are now done digitally. The teachers are encouraged to let the students do online evaluations in class so they help boost the rates.

**8. Approval: Course evaluation Spring 2026 (incl. procedure)**

The Board will review and approve the course evaluation materials for Spring 2026 (forms)

The Study Board discussed the material for Spring 2026. Stig and Florian agreed that the material needed updating. Florian will construct a new mail for the teachers with a better overview of the procedures for the course evaluation in Spring 2026. Florian will update Stig and the rest of the Study Board further when the content is finalized.

**9. Information and discussion/comments: Matters concerning the teaching requirements and template for teaching requisition for coming academic year (Stephan)**

The Study Board discussed the material and documents and approved the teaching requirements and templates for teaching requisitions. AI-deklkaration for kurserne og hvad det betyder.

**10. Discussion: Evaluation of the Study Start**

The Study Board evaluates the Study Start 2025 based on the report from the student counsellor (*will be on the agenda for the meeting in December*)

**11. Discussion: Update on the new KU AI-declaration form**

Stig informed that the discussion among the teachers and students in regards to introducing the AI-declaration in the CAS programme is still ongoing. A general meeting for teachers and students will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> December for this to be discussed further.

**12. Discussion: The current focus from the Danish media on students from Bangladesh /Abe and Nora (Follow up from the last SB meeting)**

In the light of the latest news about students from Bangladesh applying to Danish universities, the Study Board discusses how this affects the students from Bangladesh who are currently studying African Studies

Abe has written an e-mail to the Dean but has not received a reply yet. He informed the Study Board that there will be an ongoing attempt to make sure that all students including the students from Bangladesh feel welcome at CAS and on campus.

Florian further informed the Study Board that KUUL has discussed and approved an increase of the tuition fee for students outside the EU. The application fee has been increased as well.

**13. Discussion: Meaningful learning environment for the students / Abe and Nora (Follow up from the last SB meeting)**

The Study Board discusses how a meaningful learning environment is established and how more students are encouraged to attend classes

The Study Board will, in collaboration with the student representatives, keep making sure that the students are encouraged to attend classes and to give feedback to the Study Board if any questions about the learning environment arise.

**14. Information: UNI election**

Abe informed the Study Board about the upcoming elections

**15. Information on minor issues**

**16. Point of discussion raised by the Head of Studies**

**17. Point of discussion raised on behalf of the student counsellor**

**18. Study Board Calendar & Annual Cycle**

The Study Board visits the board calendar and revises the annual cycle if needed.

**19. Other business**