



Minutes

Subject: Study board meeting – No. 2022.3
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Agenda

- Welcome to new members of the study board
1. Approval of agenda
 2. Approval of minutes from meeting in February 2022
 3. Semester Evaluation Fall 2021
 4. Education Evaluation
 5. Støttebrev til DE-klubben
 6. Beståelsesprocent for kurser
 7. Topics for future ESN meetings
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Ad. 1. Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved.

Ad. 2. Approval of minutes from meeting in February 2022

The minutes were approved.

Ad. 3 Semester Evaluation Fall 2021

A number of semester evaluation reports have been discussed during the meeting.

CCT1: this is the first time the semester was running. Some students experience that the transition from high schools to university is not easy, due to the change in requirements and conditions. Engagement from the students side was declining during the semester. Some students found some content (math related parts) of the course Intro to Computer Engineering difficult, which demonstrates that some student has a low level of mathematical knowledge. For some courses literature readings for separate modules and examples of exam



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questions were delayed. The education coordinator has already proposed adjustments. No further actions are initiated by ESN.

COMTEK1: no actions are required from ESN

PDP1: students are happy about the events involving higher semester students and alumni. Other educations could consider organizing similar events. Action point: TKM communicates with education coordinators.

COMTEK3: students missed social come together events during corona time.

ROB3: Well functioning semester . Social isolation due to corona .

EIT5: Very positive evaluation of the semester.

COMTEK5: Group formation was heavily assisted by the coordinator. Low engagement from the students. Action point: TKM assists the students with individual study plans, if required.

CA1: Students with non-AAU bachelor missed info before and after semester start. This was discussed on ESN meeting in 2021 and a number of action points were already defined. No extra initiatives are set up.

CT1: Stressed semester due to heavy course load and SEMCON. Placement of SEMCON on 3rd semester? In the updated study regulation for ES master SEMCON is moved to the 3rd semester. ESN will evaluate it after this study regulation is implemented and discuss the possibility of moving SEMCON to the 3rd semester for all master programs.

ICTE1, PDP7, CA3, CT3, ICTE3: no actions are required from ESN

Common for all semesters:

- students were experiencing social isolation due to corona. A number of arrangements were done at the end of the spring semester, however additional events could have a positive impact on the students' well-being. Action point: TKM speaks with education coordinators, ESS, and DE-club.
- Smaller educations, when having classes with other larger educations, feel overlooked. Action point: TKM speaks with education coordinators. TKM adds an extra point to the document "Role of a course holder".

Ad. 4. Education Evaluation – diplom

The study board has at its meeting on March 9, 2022 decided that extra focus should be put into arrangements targeting diplom students to give them a feeling of belonging and identity. The students are happy with the content of the education and the technical level, however in some cases they feel overset compared with EIT bachelor students.

Ad. 5. Støttebrev til DE-Klubben

The Study Board recognizes the big role that DE-club is playing in social life for all ESN students. Since Aalborg Øst campus is located outside the city center, there is no place where students could naturally get together after the studies. Since its establishment for more than 20 years ago, DE-club has provided such opportunity for our



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students, positively contributing to the social environment. Having a bar opened on Thursday, have created an atmosphere where students could use a couple of hours after their studies to play board games or pool, or continue project discussions over a beer; spending time with students across different semesters and studies. The atmosphere has been very including. The Study Board has received feedback from many students that unfortunately, significantly smaller number of students are visiting the bar opened on Friday, since many students would need to work; go outside Aalborg or they prioritize spending time and socializing with their other friends downtown on Fridays, and not socializing with their study-mates.

The Study Board hopes that the university administration would consider extending the opening hours of the bar of DE-club, including Thursday evening.

Ad. 6. Beståelsesprocent for kurser

Fall 2021 semester there was two courses on all ESN educations with a high failure rate.

1) CCT1– Introduction to Computer Engineering course. Failure rate 62,5% :

Exam: 24 participated; 15 not passed

Reexam: 14 participaed; 7 not passed

Action point: an extra ordinary exam will be organized in August 2022, to give the students possibility to pass the course before continuing on the 3rd semester. A workshop and consultancy hours will be organized to support preparation for the re-exam

2) COTEK5 – Signal processing course. Failure rate 69%

Exam: 13 participated; 5 not passed ; 3 not attended

Reexam: 8 participated; 3 not passed

Conclusion: such high failure rate was not observed during previous years. After consulting with the course holder and the students, TKM concludes that it is due to the students' attitude and not significant efforts that was put in the study. No change in the course content is required. There are only 3 students that have not passed the course after the second exam attempt. No extraordinary exam will be arranged.

Ad. 7. Topics for future ESN meetings

The list of potential topics to be discussed on the next ESN meetings include:

- Diplom students
- COMTEK intake
- PR for educations
- Study start

Ad. 8. Messages

- TKM has presented the numbers for applicants for ESN master programs, together with the information on how EIT/COMTEK students has applied for their masters. CWR will collect the information about ROB students' master choices.

Ad. 9. A.O.B.

None



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