

**UNIS**

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MEETING: PhD forum	No / Year: 1/2016
Weekday: Thursday	Date: 10.03.16.
Start: 12:00	End: 14:00
Place: Templet	Participants: : Eli Anne Ersdal, Xiangcai Chen, Oscar Fransner, Hanna Rosá Hjalmsdottir, Tatiana Drotikova, Anne Elina Flink, Silje Eriksen Holmen, Graham Gilbert, Wesley Farnsworth, Malte Jochmann, Magdalena Wutkowsky, Anne Bjørndal.
Leader: Anne Bjørndal	Copy for information: Elise Strømseng, Ruben Eidesen, Lise Gjellestad, Ane Hammervoll Bjørsvik, Frank Nilsen, head of departments
Minutes: Anne Bjørndal	
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Minutes from meeting 18.09.16.

The minutes from the PhD forum on 18.09.16. was presented and approved.

News from the study administration:

Five new PhD candidates are welcomed at UNIS since last meeting:

- Anna Monika Ejsmond (AB-dept)
- Magdalena Wutkowska (AB-dept)
- Tyler Ross Appleyard (AG-dept)
- Siiri Wickström (AGF-dept)
- Marina Konstantinova (AT-dept)

Welcome!

Four PhD candidates successfully defended their theses in 2015:

- Teena Chauhan (AG-dept)
- Heidi Sevestre (AG-dept)
- Srikumar Roy (AG-dept)
- Sunil Mundra (AB-dept)

Congratulations!

A short summary of PhD forums and PhD related cases in 2015 were presented

- Three meeting in the PhD forum. One of them followed up by two workshops
- New special agreement (særavtale) negotiated at UNIS
- Course in university pedagogics arranged in autumn 2015 and spring 2016

The mandatory course in research ethics and philosophy of science will be arranged by NMBU at UNIS in the period 6. – 14. April. Lecturers: Anita Leirfall and Terje Kvilhaug. The course is approved by all Norwegian universities, except from Nord University and the NT-faculty at NTNU. Participants will be registered as NMBU-students for this course.

We are very happy to be able to offer this course here at UNIS.

News from the mainland universities

UiO

- Revised PhD regulations in force, stating specifically that public defenses can take place at UNIS.

UiT; BFE-faculty

- Study catalog with autumn 2016-courses publised recently <https://uit.no/education/courses?ar=2016&semester=V&sted=179933>. For most courses students should register in Student Web
- **Mid-term evaluation** introduced. https://uit.no/om/enhet/artikkel?p_document_id=453209&p_dimension_id=88163

NTNU; IVT-faculty

- Link to progress report forms will be sent out in May, with deadline by the end of June

Remember to check your university e-mail accounts.

Janet Holmén: Scientific writing

Janet Holmén held a lecture about scientific writing; including the structure of a standard article, how to write the article, and some tips on English language.

The presentation can be found here: <V:\Admin\STUDADM\PhD administrasjon\PhD forum\Meetings>

Next meeting

Next PhD forum is planned before summer.