

## Minutes of meeting (2025-2) in the Study Board of Build, Energy, Electronics and Mechanics in Esbjerg 05.03.2025

### *Present:*

Matthias Mandø (MMA) (Chair), Daniel Ortiz Arroya (DOA), Jesper Liniger (JEL), Mads Pagh Nielsen (MPN), Christian Winther Dissing (CWD), Ulisse Valeriani, Jeppe Akash Bundsgaard Sørensen, Anette Larsen (ALL) (secretary)

### *Guests:*

Vice Dean Olav Geil and special advisor Troels Frøkjær Christensen

### *Absent:*

Visnu Ritesh Vijayakumaar Palanisamy

### *Copy:*

Sara Lindberg Hildebrandt, Charlotte Slot Lolk, Anne Linde Poulsen, Pia Vestergaard Jensen, Christian Winther Dissing, Mads Pagh Nielsen, Tamas Kerekes, Gitte Hageman Christensen, Head of Department, Rikke Steensbæk.

*Minute taker:* ALL

## Agenda

1. Reform of the masters' programmes  
Presentation and discussion, by Vice Dean Olav Geil and Special Advisor Troels Frøkjær Christensen (approx. 20 minutes)
2. Appointment of study board, election of vice-chairman (item added during the meeting)
3. Approval of agenda
4. Follow up after last meeting (04.02.2025)
5. Approval of minutes of meeting (04.02.2025)
6. General announcements
7. P0 and P1, changes in the Aalborg curriculum
8. Teacher of the year
9. AOB
10. Credit transfer and exemptions (confidential)

## Minutes

### 1. Reform of the masters' programmes, presentation by the Vice Dean

#### Background

- The candidate reform must be viewed in the context of other university reforms.

#### Esbjerg Campus

- Esbjerg is a special case; we aim to have as many study places in English as possible and have re-located study places from Copenhagen to Esbjerg.

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#### International Students

- The allowed number of self-paying students under the reform is not yet known.

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- Dimensioning of international students (enrollment figures): 33 from EU/EØS at the bachelor level and 397 at the master's level. Int. students from outside Europe and students from DK is not included in these restrictions.

## Key Points:

- **Focus on Employment in Denmark:** The master's reform aims to transition students from university to roles such as teachers, nurses, etc.
- **Sector Reduction:** The university sector must shrink by 10 percent.

## Comments:

- Esbjerg performs well in terms of employment.
- It is crucial for Esbjerg to have English language students.
- Esbjerg would like to offer the "erhvervskandidat" option for all master's programmes.
- The Cand.tech. programme will be 75 ECTS under the reform.
- The Master in Traffic programme in Esbjerg will be mostly online, with exams and supervision in Esbjerg. Negotiations with the ministry will be required.

## About APEL

- We will re-apply to change the name of APEL, MMA will write application and coordinate with Head and Vice-head of Energy.

## 2. Appointment of study board, incl election of chairman and vice-chairman

Jeppe is appointed vice-chairman. This item is added to the agenda.

## 3. Approval of agenda

Agenda approved with above changes.

## 4. Follow up after last meeting (04.02.2025)

Election of vice-chairman. See above.

Teacher of the year – autumn nominee – Zhenyu Yang.

## 5. Approval of minutes of meeting

Minutes approved without comments.

## 6. General announcements

- Open House – fewer participants
- Restrictions on International uptake on AIE (see Olav's presentation above)
- Answer rate on SurveyXact is overall fine → (at semester start the coordinators are informed that they must include 15 minutes for the students to fill this out)
- Agenda DSUR 14 feb
  - New initiatives for recruiting sabbatists (brobygning)
    - Extra open house in Aalborg in June
    - Target 'højskoler'
    - Chat with a student
    - Small informal events (board games and similar)
    - Online Sabbatist-universe and Podcast-universe
    - More...
  - Candidate reform, pointing out responsible persons
  - Recruitment Strategy for AAU CPH (Similarly relevant for AAU Esbjerg)
    - Make campaign specific for AAU CHP
    - **CONSIDER CHANGING THE NAME** ("AAU Technology")
- Drop out rate looks fine but some are missing →
- ULM 04-02-2025

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- Candidate reform (guess we just talked about this)
  - RISK to 75 ECTS in 2028
  - Industrial MSc as 1+2 model
- Development of 'Basispakke'
  - Recognition that the meeting in Esbjerg was "substandard"
  - Workshop in digital tools: Moodle, forms, etc.
  - Esbjerg 01-05-2025 with Lasse and Tom from CDUL and Hossein from ITS
  - Claims that many problems in Moodle have been solved
- Still issues with online teaching!!! (MMA continues to draw attention to the problems, has written to BBJ and MPN, an action plan is coming up)
- Quality reporting meeting for **RISK** 13-02-2025
  - Build people, Olav, Mads CWD and ASK
  - By 2028 RISK is reduced to 75 ECTS
  - We have an old agreement with SDU which is due to be renewed.
  - AAU owns RISK so we can take home the education 100%.
  - Issues with IT-systems:
    - SDU teachers cannot access Moodle
    - AAU student has to be enrolled as guest students at SDU to access their Learning Management System

Comments from 13.02.2025:

- Olav: Consider hiring more external teachers
- ASK: Adapt curriculum to our people
- Cultural differences Engineering vs Social Science
- Lack of PR – there is relevant BSc in CPH
- Relative high drop out rate
  - Some issue with math level
  - Most is personal issues
- Applicants - numbers go up
- Restriction on SEE: 20 students total on OES/FPS
- New: Supplementary courses on SEE
  - Guess we should we have it on APEL also?
- Tomplads/empty place scheme (also for supplementary courses)
  - 2025: 600DKK per ECTS
  - 2026: 1000DKK per ECTS
- *Expects* one scholarship for BEEM
  - (new: tuition + scholarship corresponding to SU)

Decision: we will add supplementary courses to the APEL curriculum, §7 (like SEE).

## 7. P0 and P1, changes in the Aalborg curriculum

The concepts of P0 and P1 have previously been removed from all first semester projects on masters' level, both in Aalborg and Esbjerg. The Energy study board has now decided to reintroduce these concepts in the module descriptions. MMA and ALL is therefore asking the BEEM study board if this should also be changed in the Esbjerg curricula?

Decision: We will not change the first semester project modules in Esbjerg curricula.

## 7. Teacher of the year

The students of the study board have selected Zhenyu Yang as the autumn nominee for the Teacher of the Year award. We now await a spring nominee.

The students' nomination will be presented to Zhenyu (to be written asap).

## 8. AOB

Nothing to discuss.

## 9. Credit transfer and exemptions (confidential)

- Discussion about administrative decision on extraordinary examination attempt  
Agreement that the study board approves of an extra exam (note: this is not something that the student can apply for, this is solely an administrative decision (administrative beslutning og ikke afgørelse))
- Discussion about exemption to have extra time for oral examination due to diagnosis  
No decision, we have not yet received application. However, the study board would like to talk to a teacher who has had the student in question at an oral examination to hear if the student would benefit from having additional time or if it would be detrimental for the student.
- Survey of list in WorkZone.

## Action points, incl. responsible people – Study board meeting 05.03.2025

- Status – new name for APEL
- Teacher of the Year, nominating text
- APEL curriculum, new supplementary text for §7