

Semester description for:

3rd semester - Master's in science in Medicine with Industrial Specialisation - Fall 2024

Semester details

The study curriculum: Master of Science in Medicine with Industrial Specialisation

Semester framework theme

The second year of the Master's (3rd and 4th semester) focuses on independently performing relevant scientific studies, which take place in a research environment, abroad, and/or in a public or private company. The theme of the project is freely chosen by the students but will be building on acquired knowledge and skills obtained throughout the earlier semesters.

Upon completion of the Master's project, the student should be at a level to enter the academic/industrial market.

Semester organisation and time schedule

The semesters are organized so students either perform two 30 ECTS projects or one 60 ECTS project. These are assessed in the form of a written report that is examined by an oral examination with internal and/or external censors.

During the semesters, the student will work on the scientific project with adequate supervision from their supervisor. All master projects must be approved by the supervisor and the study leader.

If master students collaborate with external partners (outside institute for Health Science and Technology; HST), an external contact person and a HST supervisor are required.

No courses are planned during this period.

During the autumn the students are expected to participate in semester group meetings and the event MedIS opportunity, which will serve as the status seminar.

Semester coordinator and secretariat assistance

Semester coordinator: Simone Riis Porsborg, sriis@hst.aau.dk, Department of Health Science and Technology

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Module description (description of each module)

Profile

Biomedicine, BM; Translational Medicine, TM; Medical Market Access, MMA

Master's Thesis / Kandidatspeciale

30 ECTS project module or 60 ECTS project module

Location

Master, Medicine with Industrial Specialisation, 3rd Semester Study Board for Medicine

Module coordinator

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Type and language

The projects should preferably be written in English, although Danish is allowed in agreement with the supervisor.

Objectives

From Curriculum:

After completing 30 ECTS 3rd semester project, the student is expected to:

SKILLS

Design a scientific study to address the identified medical problem.

Argue for the choice of methods applied in the project.

COMPETENCES

Reflect on the relevance of the scientific medical problem.

Ability to manage the project in collaboration with groups of relevant professionals.

After completing the master project (30 or 60 ECTS), the student is expected to:

COMPETENCES

Create and organise knowledge flow to facilitate the realisation of the scientific study.

Critically evaluate existing studies relevant to the identified scientific problem

Criticise the design of the scientific study and discuss potential pit falls and improvements.

Reflect on the process of own learning in relation to the realisation of the project.

Reflect on own need for development and suggest steps to facilitate this development.

Academic content and conjunction with other modules/semesters

The 3rd and 4th semester requires the student to use the skills and knowledge acquired from their bachelor's and the first 2 semesters of their Master's. New skills and techniques are often introduced during this time.

Scope and expected performance.

60 ECTS = 1800 hours

30 ECTS = 900 hours

Participants

Students on 3rd and 4th semester Medicine with Industrial Specialisation (MedIS)

Biomedicine

Translational Medicine

Medical Market Access

Prerequisites for participation

A completed bachelor's degree (B.Sc.) in Medicine, Biotechnology, Molecular Medicine, MedIS, or similar.

Module activities (course sessions etc.)

This module does not include any planned teaching activities. The student is expected to work full-time with the help and guidance of their supervisor to achieve the research aims outlined in the project description. It is expected that the student identifies their own need for learning and seeks out learning activities meeting these.

Examination

Oral individual or group examination

During the exam both the supervisor and maybe co-supervisor will be present together with an Internal (for 3^{rd}) or external examiner (for 4^{th})

During the project period, the students will write a project and hand it in using "Digital Eksamen" – The exam is initiated by the students giving a scientific presentation of their project, followed by questioning by the examiners.

There is 60 min available in total for each student covering: student presentations, questioning by examiners and grading. As an example, a group of 2 students will be examined for $2 \times 60 \text{ min} = 2$ hours covering student presentations, questioning by examiners, and grading.

The project will be evaluated using the 7-point grading scale and the grade will be given individually and based on an overall assessment of:

- The written project
- The individual student presentation of the project
- The individual performance of the students during the oral examination

For further information about the examination, we refer to Digital Eksamen (DE).