



AALBORG UNIVERSITET

Study Board for
Chemistry and Bioscience

Minutes from Study Board meeting on Wednesday 09.04.25 at 13.00 in Aalborg og Esbjerg

Present from Aalborg: Mads Koustrup Jørgensen (MKJ), Majken Pagter (MP),
Lars Haastrup Pedersen (LHP), Nicklas Bjørnmose Dupont (NBD), Ejnar Bach Rasmussen (EBR)

Observers: Clara Victoria Raunholt Ehlert (CRE), Ida Gjerulff Thomsen (IGT),

Present from Esbjerg: Morten E. Simonsen (MES),

Cancellation/not present: Anders Emuel Olsen (AEO), Mads Hyldgaard Henningsen (MHH), Niels T Eriksen (NTE), Anne Sanggaard Sonne (ASO), Bilal Ahmad (BA),

Agenda:

1. Approval of the agenda
2. Approval of minutes from meeting 12.03.2025
3. Student applications (confidential)
4. General information
5. Discussion
6. Curricula
7. Quality assurance
8. Budget
9. Any other business

1. Approval of the agenda	Action
The agenda was approved.	
2. Approval of minutes from meeting 12.03.2025	
The minutes will be sent to the next meeting on May 14th.	
3. Student applications (confidential)	
a) List of application cases processed since the last Study Board meeting, appendix 25-028 Noted.	
b) Application for a 5 th exam attempt, appendix 25-029 Exemption approved due to documented illness and death in the immediate family.	



4. General information

<p>a) Graduation ceremony, status on speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Former student; Anders Bundgård Sørensen, SeeQ Diagnostics. Anders has accepted the invitation to participate. b. Graduate; a selected graduate will be asked. <p>Status on Teacher of the Year – AEO and NBD are finalizing the letter to be sent out to the students.</p> <p>b) Information on delayed students and outreach efforts, appendix 25-030</p> <p>Review of the appendix.</p> <p>A list of students who could benefit from a meeting with the central student counselors has been sent to the Outreach Effort (Den opsøgende indsats). They will try to contact the students on the list and offer them a meeting or other assistance.</p> <p>LHP: We will do what we can to help more students pass their exams on time. According to our action plans, this includes the use of mentors and student counseling and introducing study techniques and work methods in the first year of study.</p> <p>MP: Particularly biology students have difficulty with the module Basic Organic and Physical Chemistry.</p> <p>LHP: The exam has been changed so that it is divided into two parts, both of which must be passed. If one part is not passed, the student only needs to retake the part they failed. Previously, the exam was a single combined exam with both parts.</p> <p>NBD: There have been some course sessions that biology students do not need to attend, but there are questions about this in the exam for biologists.</p> <p>LHP: There must not be questions in the exam that are outside the learning objectives.</p> <p>MP: It is a significant burden for students who have not passed the module – also subsequently, if they fall behind in their studies.</p> <p>NBD: Is it possible for students who have not passed the module to take the exam in parts instead of a single combined exam, as they did in their first attempt?</p> <p>LHP: Will investigate if this is possible.</p> <p>LHP: The two parts of the exam will be at different times, i.e., two written on-site exams of two hours each.</p>	<p>AEO/ LHP</p> <p>LHP</p>
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NBD: Suggested that the parts of the exam should last more than two hours, e.g., 2.5 hours. NMR and MS is also a course with a high failure rate. EBR suggested that the exam format could also be changed to parts in these courses.	
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5. Discussion

No items on the agenda.	
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6. Curricula

<p>a) Status on the revision of study programs in Esbjerg and chemistry in Aalborg</p> <p>LHP: We normally revise the study programs every 4 years. However, there may be other reasons to revise the study programs more frequently. The study program for the engineering diploma has been revised in the fall of 2024, so the new study program will apply from the fall intake of 2025. Here, we have been mandated by the ministry to ensure a greater distinction between bachelor's and diploma programs.</p> <p>We have also previously had to revise our study programs due to PBL learning objectives and digital learning objectives.</p> <p>We have held three meetings in Aalborg regarding the chemistry study programs and have just held the first meeting about the study programs in Esbjerg.</p> <p>LHP reviews the various proposals for changes to the study programs.</p> <p>Various proposals for which modules could be replaced are being discussed.</p> <p>There will be written proposals that the study board must approve at a study board meeting, likely at the meeting in June.</p>	
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7. Quality assurance

<p><u>Semester minutes/steering group minutes</u></p> <p>Steering group minutes 1st meeting, 2nd semester master's in biotechnology, appendix 25-031</p> <p>LHP: Point of attention regarding concerns about rooms for thesis students. There are no concrete plans to reduce the number of offices for thesis students. We do not yet know when we will move out of Fredrik Bajers Vej 5.</p>	
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Poor quality of video material used for self-study in the course – possibly an opportunity for teachers to borrow microphones from the secretariat to record new videos. <u>Action plans for education evaluation</u> No items on the agenda.	
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8. Budget

a) Study Board grants Nothing new to report.	
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Louise Kiilerich Pratas
Referent

*AI was used for translation of the minutes from Danish to English.