

EXECUTIVE MEETING

INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH 26 June 2014

Education programmes

There are no major changes in the BA Medicine modules, except for a few adjustments of ECTS credits. Compulsory exam registration (propulsion reform) is enforced as well as rolling internal / external examiners for B-track are introduced.

A discussion of pros and cons of the possibility of offering an elite track to graduate students followed.

News about staff

Before an employee starts working at one of the research units of IPH, he/she must have signed a contract. It takes about 2 or 3 weeks from the time that IPH is informed about the new position to employment contract has been prepared by the Staff Office and forward for signature. If the prospective employee wishes to negotiate his salary, the final signature of the contract is postponed, and thus also the date where he /she can start working. It is only after signing the contract; the employee is actually employed and thus covered by the university's insurance.

Employees / extension

CMSS, senior researcher, Despena Andrioti, ordinary funding, 01.07.2014-30.06.2017

CMSS, senior researcher, Kimmo Herttua, ordinary funding, 01.09.2014-

CMSS, post.doc. Zhiwei Zhao, external funding, 01.07.2014-30.06.2016

EBB scientific assistant Maria Reimert Munch, ordinary funding, 01.09.2014-31.08.2015

CAST, assistant professor Karla Douw, ordinary/external funding, 01.09.2014-31.08.2017

EBB, project nurse, Lene Nielsen, external funding, 01.09.2014-31.08.2017

EBB, scientific assistant Maria Munch, ordinary funding, 01.09.2014-31.08.2015

Clinical Pharmacology, scientific assistant Lotte Rasmussen, external funding, 01.11.2014-.30.10.2015

Vacancy announcement

Post.doc. General Practice - interview July

Clinical Professor, General Practice - interview August

Associate professor in general practice (20%) – posted

Data manager – Clinical Pharmacology – posted

News from the management team at the Faculty of Health Sciences

Research leaders debated whether a publishing strategy at Institute level should be considered, but agreed the number of publications for each researcher to be a topic of discussion at the annual performance and development review.

The PhD School is implementing a new system to reduce the time from the submission of application to the final approval. Simultaneously it is considered to introduce a fast track for previous assessed projects in order to speed up the process.

The research leaders discussed the general lack of solemnity at PhD defences: The quality – as to the presentation, form and number of listeners (3-40 persons) - varies very much – as well as the way the principal supervisor leads the defence. It would be nice if they were familiar with the Danish setting -especially foreign assessors should be better equipped to act within it.

Status – the New Faculty

The head of institute is very thankful to all the staff at IST participating in user groups set up in connection with building the new faculty in 2019. Without their participation and consistent presence at the meetings it would be an impossible task. Experience shows that it is important that at least one from IPH is present at every meeting, as already agreed decisions may be altered.

Occupational therapist Line Lindahl from General Practice is involved in the user group for offices and contributes with her knowledge of designing workplace and lighting.

In particular the participation of Flemming Nielsen and Birgitte Damby Sorensen has been considerable as they have participated in the many meetings held reon the design of new laboratories.

The size of the offices varies from 9 to 16 m². The construction plan does not include lunchrooms, as the staff is expected to use the campus canteens.

News from Councils and Committees

IPH's occupational health and safety committee is preparing an emergency plan. In addition, there will be a fire drill in WP9 when the renovation of the roof is completed. In WP17-19 planned and unplanned fire drills have already taken place.

Practice Committee Meeting: The committee of Practice has been working on the definition of scientific misconduct.

Round the table

Remember to register before 14 August to the next Institutforum 28 August 2014 (held at Campus, Odense)