

Masters Thesis Supervision

Introductory lecture



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Masters thesis supervision (3hp)

- Course outline (as sent in email):
- Each participant makes an activity log, and then writes a reflection document on the supervision process after the master student is finished. Things to reflect on include:
 - (1) the student's plan, and feedback given on plan, (2) meetings with student, (3) half-time checkup and feedback given. (4) feedback given by supervisor on thesis. (5) examiner's final feedback on thesis, (6) the presentation seminar given by the student.
- The reflection document shall be written according to a standard template (not finalized yet), and will be evaluated with pass or fail. Upon a fail one additional opportunity is given to update the document.

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- This course is meant to generate reflection and feedback on the supervision process.
 - for the supervisors (PhD students)
 - for the examiners (e.g. me)
 - for directors of study (e.g. Klas).

Course Format

- Examination in the form of a written report.
Pass gives 3hp.
- We will discuss contents and finalize desired contents for the report today.

Schedule

- Report should be handed in once the student has passed. e.g. sometime in August.
- If the student is delayed, you may also finalize and hand in the report in October (even though the student has not finished).
- Mid-term seminar in April. TBA (Include Marcus)
- Final seminar in October where reports are discussed.

FAQ

- Add FAQ for supervisors on internal web
- Each report should include one FAQ with answer.

Report content

1. Analysis and reflection on a number of **topics** (e.g. the thesis plan)
2. For each topic
 - a. Describe topic briefly, with emphasis on your participation
 - b. Estimate time spent
 - c. Describe what works well
 - d. Describe what is problematic, and why

Possible topics for the report

1. The student's thesis plan
2. Interaction with student (meetings and email)
3. Interaction with examiner and company supervisor
4. The half-time checkup
5. Your feedback on the thesis, and examiner's final feedback on thesis, also read reflection document

Should we add or remove something?