**Name of course:** Exit to postgraduate studies

**ECTS credits:** 1 hp

**Course period:** April-May 2015

**Maximum number of participants:** 40

**Language of instruction:** English

**Aim of course and motivation as to why it should be considered “multidisciplinary” to the extent that the faculty should allocate extra financing.**

The aim of the course is to prepare the PhD-students of the faculty to the administrative matters concerning the dissertation and what awaits after the dissertation, since all PhD-students are in need of information concerning publishing of the thesis, alternative career paths, post-doc applications, research funding information, pedagogical merits, and the social security system.

**Contents, study format and form of examination**

The PhD-students will get information about thesis writing and thesis printing and publishing form the University library, the current job situation for PhDs from the Faculty of Science and Technology and information about different career options at the university and from persons outside the university in the private sector and in governmental authorities, information about the importance of pedagogical and teaching documentation, information about what to think about and how to write a research grant application and where to apply for money, as well as information about what is important when applying for a post-doc position and what to think about when planning a post-doc period. Finally, information about the social security system and work legislation concerning the dissertation, the time after dissertation and during and after post-doc periods abroad will be reviewed. The course will consist of four afternoon seminars, with invited speakers, and discussions about presentation topics. To pass the course full attendance at the four seminars is needed.

**Target group/s (specify, if possible, subject/specialization) and recommended background:** PhD-students reaching the end of the PhD-period

**Department with main responsibility:** Department of Organismal Biology (and Department of Ecology and Genetics)

**Other departments involved (specify how):** Universitetsbiblioteket, Avdelning för biblioteksgemensamma funktioner, Produktionsenheten deltar i undervisningen.

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**Not later than:** April 15th 2015