DECISION

21 Dec 2021 TEKNAT 2021/201

Extension of study period for doctoral student in elected positions

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The Faculty Board of Science and Technology (Executive Committee) hereby decides

− to adopt the following guidelines for extending the study period for doctoral students in elected positions as of 1 January 2022.

The following elected positions for doctoral students within the faculty are eligible for extension of the employment as a doctoral student (no compensation for meeting shall be paid):

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<td>Faculty Board</td>
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<td>Recruitment Committee</td>
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* The position corresponds to approx. 30% of full-time position and should be shared by two doctoral students. The division of the position between two doctoral students is decided by the Faculty Board (Executive Committee).
Criteria:

- Attendance: The above extension applies to the holder of a elected position for a period of one year. The doctoral student must also have attended the majority of meetings concerned.

- Application: The doctoral students must apply for the extension themselves. All applications for extensions must submitted to the Faculty Board/Office, including those for general extensions decided by the University. Applications for extension funds must be made within the period of doctoral studies, but no earlier than six months before the end of the regular doctoral period. A supporting recommendation from the principal supervisor must be attached to all extension applications.

- Additional extension: If the position during any semester requires more activity on the part of the doctoral student than the specified minimum number of days, e.g. involvement in special projects conducted by the respective body, the doctoral student can apply for an additional extension from the Faculty. Other elected positions within the University may also be grounds for extension. In such cases, the length of the extension is determined by the Faculty Board upon application by the holder of the position. However, no extension is granted for positions requiring less than 5 days of work input per year.

- Responsibility for costs: Costs for extension as described above shall be funded by the Faculty. Remuneration during the extension is at the same level as the doctoral student's salary prior to the extension.

Other:
Extension of the study period for a doctoral student with an elected position within the Doctoral Board at the Faculty and the Department Boards is regulated centrally (UFV 2014/72 or UFV 2021/2081 (decision to be made in the spring)). Extension related to Department Boards is applied for and handled by the departments.

Matter

Doctoral students receive an extension of their study period for elected positions in Faculty bodies. At the meeting of the Faculty Board on 7 September 2021, it was decided that student representatives at the doctoral level shall not receive a
compensation for participating in permanent bodies of the Disciplinary Domain Board, but can apply for prolongation as necessary in accordance with Vice-Chancellor decision UFV 2014/72. The Faculty Board also decided that a review of the current rules on extension for doctoral students holding elected positions at the Faculty would be initiated, and a working group was appointed on 21 September 2021.

The working group has consisted of Senior Education Officer Sara Lind (convenor), Chair of the Doctoral Education Board Jörgen Olsson and Doctoral Student Representative August Wolter. The working group conducted a review of all Faculty bodies and evaluated the work input of doctoral student representatives by means of communication with them, the chairs and/or the administrators of the bodies.

The working group has to some extent related its proposal for the new decision on extension for doctoral students with elected positions at the University level, which was circulated to the disciplinary domain for commenting in the autumn (UFV 2021/2081). A decision has not yet been made on this matter, but the working group believes that the levels of remuneration proposed at the university level will be reached or are more generous at the Faculty.

This decision replaces former decision, TEKNAT 2016/6.

On behalf of the Faculty Board,

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