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Department of Psychology
 Management Group of the Master of Science
 Programme in Psychology

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Absent	-	-
Agenda Item	Notes	Decision / Follow-up
§1. Meeting called to order 09:30	Hannele Granström will take notes during the meeting in absence of a secretary.	
§2. Choice of adjuster of the minutes		Kira Friedrichs
§3. Minutes of the previous meeting		The previous minutes are approved.
§4. Approval of Agenda		The agenda is approved.
§5. Information: a. Theses and supervisors b. Understanding Alumni, work continued c. First "semester touch-ground" meeting	a. Elia: informed that there is a tendency for students to prefer to work solo for their Masters Thesis. No student (so far) this year is working on their Thesis together with another student. More supervisor hours are needed. It is also important to understand whether there is any reason behind this trend. Elia informs that author contributions is today an obligatory part of Theses written collaboratively.	Follow up action:

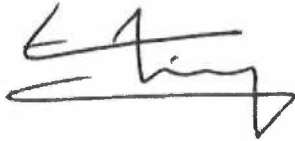
<p>§5. Continues....</p>	<p>A(cont) Kira & Melika: One reason for increased preference for individual Thesis may be that teaching was online so that students have not gotten to know each other and work together during the programme.</p> <p>b Roger J & Åsa informs that in the beginning of spring 2022, work with Alumnis (former master students) will resume. Mikael: Supervisors may have contact information of alumni students who may be willing to share their global experiences of PhD research or other professional activity after their MSc studies.</p> <p>c Following a previous decision to have one meeting per semester in order to receive input and discuss thoughts regarding the program, Roger J and Elia inform that the meeting will take place in the beginning of January and that, this time, the invitation will be expanded to all students. The plan is to have the Spring meeting with only student representatives.</p>	<p>a We will summarize the facts around this choice, from LU and other Swedish Universities, for a future discussion based on facts.</p> <p>b Alumni will be invited to an event for “talks & feedback” where they share what they are doing today after they have completed the master's programme. Supervisors will be contacted with a question</p> <p>c Decision is made that the Fall semester “touch-ground” will be held with all the students and the Spring semester “touch ground” with only the student representatives.</p>
<p>§6. PPP: Plagiarism Prevention Procedures (decision point)</p>	<p>Several cases of plagiarism and cheating have been detected at University level. It has become clear that very high demands are placed on Programs to inform in detail on what comprises cheating and plagiarism and also secure that the students have understood. Elia and Roger suggest a short mandatory test (0 points) at the beginning of the program, to ensure that the student has understood regarding this issue. Another suggestion is for students to sign a document stating that they understand the rules and consequences of plagiarism and cheating.</p>	<p>Decision</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Coordinate with PSYP11 regarding teaching about and examining understanding of issues around cheating and plagiarism. 2 Prepare a short MCT for discussion in a small working group 3 Introduce the “contract”

<p>§7. Reflections over the LG's work 2021</p>	<p>The management team works well, Elia and Roger get good cred and feedback.</p> <p>One question raised by a member of the LG is why the Masters programme is not represented in the Departmental Board? If the programme is important – why is it the only one at this department not represented?</p>	
<p>§8. Other business</p>	<p>Kira & Melika informed as student representative's comments from the program students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Before choosing a degree project, a presentation of the supervisor is required, not just a list of names and titles. This would facilitate the choice if they knew more about their background and area of expertise. The Covid-situation did not allow for this group of students to get to know teachers in any other way. • The students want the introduction for their 16-week degree project to occur earlier. • in the exams, it must be clearer how long answers are expected. 	
<p>§9. Adjournment</p>		<p>12:00</p>



Minutes

Hannele Granström



Adjuster of minutes

Elia Psouni



Adjuster of minutes

Kira Friedrichs