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The number and distribution of respondents – 55, all 7th semester – allows for the possibility to generalise somewhat across the CCG student population – yet only for the 7th semester – on the basis of the evaluation.

46% spend more than 30 hours on their studies each week, which is a significant increase by 16% from the last semester evaluation. Still, 11% report spending less than 20 hours per week on their studies. Considering that students are supposed to spend 37,5 hours per week on studying, these figures must still cause some concern. Oddly, almost all comments speak of a heavy workload, and difficulty in finding the time to prepare properly for class.

Respondents generally feel well-informed about goals and purposes of the programme modules, as well as practical information about the programme, and find that the benefit of the different study activities has been ‘big’/‘very big’ (56%) or ‘average’ (40%). Only 5% (2 respondents) find the academic outcome to have been ‘small’.

The majority of responding students are happy with (or indifferent about) the project formation process. Unfortunately 9 (23%) find that it wasn’t satisfactory, but none of the comments develop this theme further. Many students (87%) completed their project as part of a group. It is a declared goal of the Study Board to promote group work as an integral part of the ‘Aalborg experience’, which makes this very satisfactory news. 68% feel project (team) work went well, 18% that it didn’t.

Many choose to comment on the physical environment – pointing to the lack of workspaces for group work, which makes for a stressful working environment.