Study board of International Affairs/Studienævnet for Internationale Forhold (SNIF)

Evaluations fall semester 2017: courses, semester and supervision at Development and International Relations (DIR), European Studies (ES) and Global Refugee Studies (GRS)

**DIR**

**Courses:**

Out of 74 students 49 handed in course evaluations. This corresponds to 66 percent.

The evaluations were overall quite positive. A few courses received mixed evaluations, though mostly positive. This was the case for the ECTS-based course of “Theories of Social Science and Methodology”, where some students (a minority) were critical of the level and mentioned varying quality of the course elements. The planners of the study will keep this in mind for the next time, and planners are discussing how to improve on the course.

**Semester:**

Of 154 students 67 responded, i.e. 44 percent. A majority of students were relatively satisfied with the semester as a whole, while a minority was not so satisfied. This was particularly the case with regard to the group formation process and the internship. Staff will discuss the group formation procedure to ensure greater satisfaction.

Students were quite satisfied with the physical conditions at their place of study.

**Supervision:**

Out of 28 groups, two groups were dissatisfied with the supervision. The rest were either very satisfied or relatively satisfied. The two dissatisfied groups were supervised by two different supervisors. The supervisors received positive evaluations from other groups. The coordinator has given evaluations to the supervisors for them to consider the evaluations.

**ES**

**Courses:**

Out of 14 students 9 handed in course evaluations. This corresponds to 56 percent.

**Semester:**

Of 37 students 15 responded, i.e. 41 percent. Students were either quite positive of the semester as a whole or found it of average satisfaction. A minority were not very satisfied with the information
from the study. For many the group formation process did not go well. Staff will discuss the group formation procedure to ensure greater satisfaction.

Students were quite satisfied with the physical conditions at their place of study.

**Supervision:**

All of the 8 groups were very satisfied with supervision.

**GRS Courses:**

Out of 70 students 39 handed in course evaluations. This corresponds to 64 percent. Satisfaction was at a good level, but some students were not very satisfied. For the course “International Organizations and International Law seen in a Refugee Perspective” satisfaction was at a good level, though a minority of 9 percent (3 students) found that the presentation of the material did not support their learning. “Social Science Methodolgy” received mixed but mostly positive evaluations. The study is keeping a focus on improving this course. The rest of the courses received quite positive evaluations.

**Semester:**

38 students out of 100, i.e. 38 percent evaluated the semester. Students were generally satisfied with the semester as a whole, although there was criticism of the quality of the information received from the study including on the topic of the objectives of the semester.

A great majority of the students were quite satisfied with the physical conditions at their place of study, although a minority of 17 percent were not very satisfied. This is a big improvement from the last semesters and shows that physical conditions have been improved a lot.

**Supervision:**

18 groups evaluated supervision. Evaluations were generally positive, though one supervisor received some critical evaluations. The coordinator has discussed the critical evaluations with the supervisor.