

Meeting Protocol

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Attendance

An "X" next to the name indicates attendance.

	Registered members/representatives	Placement
X	Stephanie Liza Johansson	Council Chair
X	Josefin David	- Council Vice Chair - Strategic Council for Research and Research Education
	Harry Tibbets	Work Environment Council
X	Hiep Hong Trinh	CS Supervisor Committee
	August Landerholm	Ethics Council
	Daniel Östberg	Faculty Board (FFI)
	Julia Klang	IHI Research and Research Education Council
X	Sharhzad Marashian	- ITV Research and Research Education Council - ITV Supervisor Committee
	Malin Elvin	IS Supervisor Committee
	Karin Strömqvist Bååthe	ISH Research and Research Education Council
	Fanny Mossberg	IUK Research and Research Education Council
	Fredrik Ardenlid	UM Supervisor Committee
	Fredrik Stormo Scheie	- IEM Research and Research Education Council - MAM Supervisor Committee
	Mira Karlsson	ID Supervisor Committee
	Lisa Borglund	HVV Supervisor Committee
	Kenneth Santos	BIE Supervisor Committee
X	Johan Söderberg	Faculty Board (FTH)

Adjuncts		
	Patrick Blixt	Student and Doctoral Ombudsman
	Ann-Sofie Jonsson	Research Education Coordinator

1. Opening the meeting

Estimated time: 2 minutes.

Draftsman: Stephanie Liza Johansson

Confirming of secretary and adjuster

Decision: Hiep as secretary and Liza as adjuster.

Previous protocol

Decision: To note the information.

Additional topics to be added to the agenda of today's meeting?

Decision: Research Grand Prix – Doctoral Edition, Appreciation Awards
Assessment

The council declares the opening of the meeting at 13:00

2. DSC representation status/nomination results

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Information:

The council is made aware of the status of our representation in terms of outgoing and incoming members. We may see additional members being part of our council because of the FTH Doctoral Student Monthly Meeting. One position will remain vacant starting in July.

Decision:

Our current representative at ITV for the supervisor committee will leave, and the position requires a doctoral student preferably based in Eskilstuna.

The council decided

- To begin a recruitment process for the upcoming vacant position as soon as possible, the main responsibility for this is to be with the DSC Chair and Vice-Chair.

3. Upcoming participation in Autumn

Estimated time: 10 minutes.

Information:

As the council enters a new semester, it is useful to take some time to update everyone on the upcoming activities at the university which the Doctoral Student Council will host or co-host.

Decision:

The council decided

- To remove the “yrkesroll” from the hoodies that will be ordered to make the reusability of the hoodies a possibility.
- To order a new poster once the webpage is ready to be shared so that a QR code can be added and for the words “Doctoral Education” to be made more striking compared to the rest of the text.

4. Evaluation of third-cycle study subjects

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Information:

The council is informed about the latest on the doctoral submissions, where one has been shared with all and the other is pending.

Decision:

The council decided

- The DSC Chair shall publish the remaining doctoral submission in its respective Teams channel folder for the other doctoral student members and representatives in the council to receive valuable insight on the doctoral student perspectives from both related and unrelated research areas.

5. Changes to the MDU guidelines for research education

Estimated time: 20 minutes.

Information:

The council is made aware about pivotal changes in the guidelines for research education to set the foundation for more stricter and detailed recommendations soon.

Decision:

The council decided

- An investigation must be conducted into how the pedagogical courses for training before teaching are included in the doctoral student's ISP and credit reporting.
- An investigation must be commenced to analyze the angles of supervisor change when the supervisor is a PI, and which mechanisms to realize the exemption of negative consequences that exist or are needed.

6. SFS-DK and SFS-FUM

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Information:

The council is informed about an expected visit in Autumn from the Chairpersons of SFS, Sweden's National Student Union body, and the motivation for their visit in relation to an observation that was brought to the DSC Chair's attention.

Decision:

The council decided

- To note the information.

7. Credit transfer and reduced PhD contract time

Estimated time: 20 minutes.

Information:

The council is made aware of a change in the guidelines related to credit transfer of previous experience or courses taken prior to becoming a doctoral student. A consequence analysis was made. Thanks to the DSC members and representatives, additional points have now been added to the consequence analysis, especially with regard to international PhD students from countries outside of the EU.

Decision:

The council has decided

- All members and representatives in the DSC council should spread the awareness of the time cutting due to credit transfer to the students and the interpretation of the cut shall be clear.

8. Doctoral Ombudsman Tour

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Information:

The council is briefed on how the first round went at IHI and ISH.

Decision:

The council decided

- The DSC Chair should coordinate with the doctoral ombudsman to create a general presentation that can be reused and perhaps published, rather than him having to re-do each presentation for every department.

9. DSC webpage

Estimated time: 5 minutes.

Information:

The council is briefed on the update of the council webpage development and when it is expected to be completed.

Decision:

The council decided

- To note the information that the plan for completion of the webpage design is due for The Doctoral Student Day in October 2026.

10. Reports from representatives - highlights

Estimated time: 15 minutes.

Information:

The highlights from the available reports of doctoral student representatives are discussed.

Decision:

The council decided

- To investigate the possibility to add one more representative in research and research education councils that span two research directions/areas that are not entirely the same as in IHI.
- The DSC Chair and Vice-Chair shall plan for the recruitment of a doctoral student from Innovation and Design thereafter, if extra seats can be included.

11. Monitoring

Estimated time: 10 minutes.

Information:

The highlights from the available reports of doctoral student representatives are discussed.

Decision:

The council decided

- To suggest the DSC Chair to include a risk assessment in the idea about creating a Research Grand Prix tournament – doctoral edition.
- The DSC Vice-Chair should begin planning and coordinate events between council members and representatives, aiming for one every semester, preferably with an event happening in Autumn 2026.

12. Next meeting

Estimated time: 3 minutes.

Motivation:

According to MDSU's by-law, the DSC meets three times per semester.

Decision:

The council decided

- To note the information that the next council meeting is in August 2026.

13. Closing of the meeting

Estimated time: 1 minutes.

Decision:

The council decided

- To close the meeting at 14:48.



Meeting Chairman and Adjuster
Stephanie Liza Johansson

Meeting Secretary
Hiep Hong Trinh