Meeting SAT Computer Science 4 May 2022

Minutes Approved

Present:

- Dan Witzner Hansen (HoP BSWU)
- Therese Graversen (HoP BDS)
- Marco Carbone (HoP KCS)
- Patrick Bahr (HoP KSD)
- Luca Maria Ariello (HoP KDS) (Chair)
- Theodor Christian Kier (Student rep. BSWU)
- Nynne Grauslund Kristiansen (Student rep., BSWU)
- Sofie Kramshøi Nielsen (Student rep., KSD)
- Anne Brix Damgaard Fransen (Student rep., KSD)
- Mette Holm Smith (Observer, Prog Coor BDS + KDS)(Minutes)
- Sara Gjerløv (Observer, Study and Career & Guidance)
- Viktor Shamal Andersen (guest, student council)

Absent:

- Marc Kellaway (Observer, Prog Coor KSD)
- Allette Bjørn Bundgaard (Prog Coor BSWU + KCS)
- Juraj Septák (Student rep., BDS)
- Paolo Tell (Guest, faculty)
- Jesper Bengtson (Guest, faculty)

Minutes:

1. **Approval of agenda:**
   Luca chairs the meeting.
   Agenda approved.

2. **Approval of minutes from meeting April 6, 2022:**
   Appendix 2A.
   Sofie commented on the minutes: Issues with the Introduction to Database Systems and Frameworks and Architecture for the Web courses do not relate to too heavy workload but that the courses are not taught so good.
   Minutes approved.

3. **Information:**

   Therese: follow up on the BDS Applied Stats course survey which Juraj did. The issues stated are being taken care of by Therese and the CS department management together with the course manager.

4. **Update from study programs: / Students.**

   <u>BSWU, Theo:</u>

   First Year Project have reported some difficulties understanding the material provided from Troels teacher on the course.

   2nd year – some issues with the F sharp course.

   Some confusion about the project and set-up – Theo have talked to the TAs. Please let the students contact Jesper who Dan contacted during the meeting.

Dan encouraged to go to the teachers and Dan to find of exactly what is the problem and issues and how it can be solved.

5. **Hearing of proposal to change curriculum for KCS:**
Please find introduction and other documents in Appendices 5A – E.

Marco: Security course have been introduced as mandatory at SWU and from 2023 intake KCS will not need to offer an introduction to Security course. The replacement has been discussed in SAT, External Programme Review and it has been agreed to propose an introductory Machine Learning course instead.

Feedback from Nynne: How will delayed students or students taking a break between BSWU and KCS be handled if they would like to take the KCS Security specialization? Marco answers that he and Allette will have to investigate how to handle it.

A related issue if Introduction to ML will be the same course offered currently.
KCS first semester already has many hand ins and the introduction to ML course as it is for now it will generate more hand ins and workload will be too high.
Workload must be adjusted across all four courses. Now Security is the course where you can breathe a little bit.
Marco promised that it will be taken care of in the coordination of semester workload across courses in the semester workshop which is held with all teachers before the semester. At the meeting he will align hand ins with the course managers.
Dan: Make sure not to go above the 11.7 hours (or 11 hours per course per week). Dan is worried about the students' perception of Mandatory Activities (MA). Dan views MA as possibility for feedback.
Theo: Agree it helps students follow along, but the workload is so high and the MAs so many that students only survive and do not have time to get in depth with course content.
Dan: Some semesters ago MA was removed, and it meant more than one GPA lower for the course.
Theo: MA are good, but it is the number of MAs that are the problem.
Nynne: It is a problem when there is no connection between MAs and content and when it is bad structured.
Sofie: I agree and as discussed before it is a matter of amount and structuring of workload and MAs.
Dan – it should be handled at the semester coordination between courses, and we are aware of it.

SAT approves of the proposal for KCS curriculum to replace of Security with Introduction to Machine Learning and encourage Marco to be very aware of the workload and number of MAs at first semester KCS

6. **SAT CS´s input to increase response rates in course evaluation:**
General awareness campaign at campus. And some Head of Programmes have also notified their students and ensured that teachers will provide 10-15 minutes in class to do the evaluations.
Student Council will provide information at the Analogue screen and on all other SoMe platforms.
Sofie encourage to find a better way to communicate and explain how the results from course evaluation are used – both in general and provide programme specific information about what have been changed based on feedback from the course evaluation. The graphic is a little bit too GBI-ish and has a poor resolution.
Come and get coffee and cake and evaluate in atrium. Or maybe a beer in Scrollbar.
Viktor will have a look at it tomorrow to see if we can have a suggestion for a pilot ready for Monday or maybe next course evaluation in autumn.

7. **AOB**

Sofie: BoS: Referendum of academic quarter. Run by the BoS.

Posters coming up next week. Not just the referendum but also informing about the formal rules

whether it is 10 minutes before – or academic quarter. There need 1/3 of all people to vote if the referendum should be valid.