SATBUSS Minutes, November 8th 2023

Attending: Oliver Krancker, Irina Papazu, Anna Elizabeth Thomsen, Louise Klitgaard Torntoft, Jens Christian Felumb, Emil Ulrik Gregersen, Fie Crusell Pedersen, Sebastian Butler, Anne Jensen (secretary)

- Approval of agenda
  - Approved
- DIM 1. Semester mid-term status (Emil)
  - Status on a dissatisfaction from the group of people from university bachelor’s at DIM.
    - They feel there is a lot of repetition from their bachelor programmes. Especially subjects such as writing an academic paper and academic methods.
    - The students miss the business and practical side of the courses.
    - Repetition from the beginning of the bachelor in GBI (for those from GBI).
  - DIM has been working on improving and increasing the focus on methods/methodology in the courses because previous students have been asking for more on methods. But this shows that it might have been emphasized too much.
  - There is a balance to consider between the theoretical and the practical elements
  - The students are asking for another way to get around this repetition such as having the option for GBI students to get an elective instead of some of the courses that are repeating a lot of things taught at GBI.
  - The innovation part of e.g., Reassembling Innovation seems to be missing for the most part of the course.
  - Consider maybe having different tracks depending on backgrounds.
    - DIM did have different tracks previously, but while the two tracks provided a support for those without a university bachelor it created a big social gap in the cohort.
  - The first semester is very introductory and was beneficial for a student not coming from GBI or the like. But there was also a lot of comments on Fie’s year from GBI students who had the experience of a lot of repetition. But in second and third semester (depending on your choice of specialization) you get a more hands-on and company-oriented focus.
• The way of building up the programmes with a foundational first semester is good, but it feels repetitive when you come with a bachelor's degree in GBI.

• Make sure to keep the academia up to the level of the programme and maybe focus on letting people without an IT-bachelor’s degree get a way of catching up.

• Follow-up on DIM’s development of Process Innovation course (Emil)
  • Wrapping up on the discussion from last meeting on Process Innovation and the comments on overlap between this course and GBIs Business Process Modelling and Automation.
    • More focus on power apps and AI on Process Innovation in the future.

• News from Board of Studies
  • No news. The last meeting was very brief.

• News from the programmes
  • GBI
    • Programme review of GBI. An external committee has visited ITU and met with Head of Programme, students, graduates, and faculty to ask questions about the programme and give feedback.
      • The feedback was good and mostly positive. A bit difficult for the committee to evaluate on this because we are in between two study structures and curricula.
      • Three issues: missing the business part of the programme, dependencies between courses, courses with external lecturers differ a lot.
      • Jens participated as a current GBI student.
        • The meeting was a bit unstructured and the understanding of what the courses contain based on their title was a bit off.

  • DIM
    • DIM proposed a small change in the curriculum and asks SATBUSS to support this to be able to bring it to the Board of Studies for approval.
Based on the work with green competency profiles DIM have a suggestion that does not change the curriculum in the broader sense, but adds ‘societal, environmental’ and ‘considering planetary boundaries’ to the Learning Objectives of the programme.

- SATBUSS supports the changes suggested for DIM’s curriculum.

- ILM
  - Not attending

- AOB
  - Awareness on the ‘Here to Help’ campaign (Louise, Student counsellor):

    The aim is to support a good student environment.

    Previously if you experienced discrimination or sexual harassment you had to read info on two subpages at ITU student – and you had to categorize the experience and choose among a number of employees to reach out to often with the entry point being head of SAP og head of HR.

    Now ITU has attempted to simplify the process. The “Here to help info campaign” launched with communication dep. and student organizations.

    The idea is to encompass all things experienced, that are not okay – and make much more simple where to start a more or less informational and clarifying conversation. The entry point: Study & Career Guidance.

    www.itustudent.itu.dk/heretohelp

- Remember the Appreciation Reception

  Programme
  Welcome & thanks for your effort
  How do we use your input to develop a study and teaching environment?
  Per Holm, Dean of Education
  Drinks, snacks and mingle

  Appreciation reception
  Wednesday the 29 November 3–4 pm
  At Repos’en (the balcony at the first floor)

  For students and faculty who took part in ITU’s SATs & Board of Studies and students from Student Council Board and Board of Directors during 2023.