### **Business Studies and Leadership Processes**

#### About the course

subject Virksomhedsstudier / Virksomhedsledelse

activitytype master course

Teaching language

English

Registration

Tilmelding sker via <u>stads selvbetjening</u> indenfor annonceret tilmeldingsperiode, som du kan se på <u>Studieadministrationens hjemmeside</u>

Når du tilmelder dig kurset, skal du være opmærksom på, om der er sammenfald i tidspunktet for kursusafholdelse og eksamen med andre kurser, du har valgt. Uddannelsesplanlægningen tager udgangspunkt i, at det er muligt at gennemføre et anbefalet studieforløb uden overlap. Men omkring valgfrie elementer og studieplaner som går ud over de anbefalede studieforløb, kan der forekomme overlap, alt efter hvilke kurser du vælger.

Registration is happing through <u>stads selvbetjening</u>within the announced registration period, as you can see on the <u>Studyadministration homepage</u>.

When registering for courses, please be aware of the potential conflicts between courses or exam dates on courses. The planning of course activities at Roskilde University is based on the recommended study programs which do not overlap. However, if you choose optional courses and/or study plans that goes beyond the recommended study programs, an overlap of lectures or exam dates may occur depending on which courses you choose.

Learning outcomes/
Assessment criteria

#### Knowledge

- Knowledge of management theory's definitions of leadership, and perspectives on management.
- Knowledge of selected modern management theories that seek to respond to current management issues.
- Knowledge of recent analytical perspectives on companies and management processes in the light of complex and evolving business and organisational conditions and external relations
- Knowledge of scientific analyses of the organisational and managerial processes and issues of companies.
- Knowledge of key strategies and methods in the analysis of companies and management processes.

#### Skills

- Skills to acquire knowledge of managerial and organisational processes from classic and recent literature.
- Skills to identify and describe managerial problems and processes using the concepts of management theory.
- Skills in combining scientific analyses of companies with practical issues in companies.
- Skills in critically evaluating proposals for analysis design in relation to complex situations in companies.

#### Competencies

- Competency to analyse companies in relation to issues that can be processed through business understanding.
- Competency to identify management issues using the concepts, theories and perspectives of the subject. The work must demonstrate skills in analysis and reflective evaluation.
- Competency to translate one's own observations into a relevant analysis and assessment of management.
- Competency to justify a choice of theory, compare the predictive power of theories and perspectives, and understand the distinctive aspects of various situations.

# Overall content

Via the course, students gain critical insight into both classic and modern theories of business management and business studies.

The course aims to enable students to understand and analyse companies and management processes, with special reference to recent organisational and managerial forms.

The course encompasses both a general overview and specialisation within methodological and theoretical approaches to the study of companies and management processes. The course follows current trends in the field and integrates these with understanding of how to analyse complex issues in and around companies and management. The teaching takes the form of both classes and group work, and is placed in relation to the concurrent project work.

# Teaching and working methods

A number of course sessions are held with lectures of 2-4 hours' duration. Students are expected to participate in group work by compiling synopses and presenting posters at exercises, including reports on possible contacts with companies.

#### Course material and Reading list

#### Course literature

- Peter G. Northouse: Leadership. Theory and Practice. 8th edition International Student Edition Sage 2018. (7th edition Sage 2015 may also work).
- Stacey, Ralph D., & Chris Mowles: Strategic Management and Organisational Dynamics.: The challenge of complexity to ways of thinking about organisations. Pearson 2016.
   Seventh Edition

In addition to these two basic textbooks, the reading list consists of scientific articles for each lecture. The curriculum will appear at Moodle with links to articles in the library database.

# Prerequisite for taking the exam

Timely submission of the group synopsis. If the synopsis is not submitted on time, one examination attempt will be deemed to have been used up.

# Form of examination

#### Oral/written examination

Individual oral examination on the basis of a group synopsis and group poster within the theme of the course, relating to a possible project theme and compiled by the project groups. The synopsis and poster are prepared in groups. The maximum length of the synopsis is 21,600 characters, including spaces. The size specifications include the cover, table of contents, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices. Assignments that fail to meet the size specifications will be refused assessment, and one examination attempt will be deemed to have been used up. The poster must be on two A2 pages, or a similar format. The size specifications include the cover, table of contents, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices. Assignments that fail to meet the size specifications will be refused assessment, and one examination attempt will be deemed to have been used up.

The synopsis is submitted in the final course session, and the poster is presented at the examination.

The oral examination is individual. The submitted group synopsis and the group poster, together with the syllabus for the course, form the basis for the examination. The oral examination has a duration of 15 minutes, including assessment. A single overall grade is awarded.

#### Form of reexamination

Re-examination consists of a new oral examination which takes the same form as the ordinary examination, but with the same or a new synopsis/poster, depending on the assessment.

# Examination type

Individual examination

Exam aids

All.

#### Assessment

7-point grading scale

#### Moderation

Internal (i.e. course lecturer and an internal examiner assess)

# Responsible for the activity

Søren Sommer Jagd (jagd@ruc.dk)

# Administration of exams

ISE Studyadministration (ise-studyadministration@ruc.dk)

#### STADS stamdata

master course

workload: 10/5 ECTS

activitycode: U40149/U41210

exam form : Mundtlig (ua) /

grading: 7-point grading scale censorship: Internal censor

Skriftlig/mundtlig

/ Passed/Not passed

#### Course days:

Hold: 1

### EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 1

time 12-02-2019 08:15 til

12-02-2019 12:00

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location

25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98)

Content

1a. Introduction + Kant/Hegel/Søren Jagd & Mette Apollo 21. Introducing Problem-Oriented

project work: From project idea to project report/Mette Apollo

Reading list

Northouse ch. 1. Martin, G., Siebert S. (2016) Managing People and Organizations in Changing Contexts, Routledge, Second edition. kap 1 and 2, p. 1-17 and 26-55. Stacey ch. 12 Shaw, Patricia (2002): Chapter 1 Changing Conversations in Organizations: A Complexity Approach

to Change, London, Routledge

Chapter 1, 2 and 8 in Olsen, Problem-Oriented project work

### EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 2

time 19-02-2019 08:15 til

19-02-2019 12:00

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Content

2a. The development of leadership as a discipline, a profession and practice/Søren Jagd We explore different perspectives on leadership as a discipline, a profession and as a practice. 2b. Current and future challenges for leadership/Margit Neisig What major changes are work, organizing, and thus leadership/management facing? What major forces as technological development, demography, environmental challenges and other issues play a role, and how does these forces challenge leadership and management theories?

Reading list

Baldwin, Eric & Rakesh Khurana (2014): Management as a Profession, Cary Cooper (ed): Wiley Encyclopedia of management, Vol. 2, Business Ethics, Wiley, p. 1-3. Riggio, Ronald E. (2011): Is leadership studies a discipline?, in Harvey, Michael & Ronald E. Riggio (eds.): Leadership Studies. The Dialogue of Disciplines, Edward Elgar, Cheltenham UK, 2011, p. 9-19. Hamel, Gary: Moon Shots for Management, Harvard Business Review, February 2009, p, 91-98 Crevani, Lucia, Monica Lindgren, Johann Packendorff (2010): Leadership, not leaders: On the Study of leadership as practices and interactions, Scandinavian Journal of Management, p. 77-86. http://ep.fjernadgang.kb.dk/login?url=http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.scaman.2009.12.003

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## EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 3

time 26-02-2019 08:15 til

26-02-2019 12:00

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location 25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98) Content

**3.a.** Situational and transformational leadership/Villy Rasmussen An introduction to some of the classical theories that based on the leader as an individual: Traits, skills and style and theories on transformational, transactional and situational leadership.

**3.b. Leadership as a relation/Margit Neisig** The point of departure for this session is the LMX theory (See Northouse). However, the researchers who originally helped to develop the LMX theory, later on worked to develop the theory of leading complexity. We will discuss this perspective also.

### EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 4

time 05-03-2019 08:15 til

05-03-2019 12:00

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location 25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98)

Content

The difference between responsive and systemic organization thinking/Uffe Kjærgaard

Hansen

Reading list Stacey, Ralph (2002): Organizations as Complex Responsive Processes of Relating. Journal of

Innovative Management, GOAL/QPC [12 p.] Stacey, Ralph (2006): Complex responsive processes as a theory of organizational improvisation (chap. 6 in Shaw & Stacey: Experiencing Risk, Spontaneity and Improvisation in Organizational Change, Routledge) [16 p.] – on Moodle

Stacey ch. 13 in Stacey & Mowles

### EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 5

time 12-03-2019 08:15 til

12-03-2019 12:00

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Content

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5a. Leadership as collective social practices/Søren Jagd Leadership has historcally been conceptualized as an individually based phenomena related to the Leader and his/her relation to employees exploring the leaders' skills, behaviour and actions. This lecture explores the perspective on leadership as a shared and distributed process among a group of people. We explore the origin of collective leadership theories and discuss different perspectives on leadership as collective social processes. 5b. Network leadership/Margit Neisig Many new forms of organizing are to be characterized as different types of networks. Managing networks is a growing discipline of leadership/management. Network leadership includes many aspects and is a particular discipline, which we will explore this lecture by reflecting on

different themes.

Reading list Northouse ch 14. Team leadership Fitzsimons, James & Denyer 2011 Alternative Approaches to

studying shared and distributed leadership, Int. Journal of Management Reviews, p. 313-328. Shu, Liau, Yam & Johnson 2018 Shared Leadership: A State-of-the-art review and future

research agenda, Journal of Organizational Behavior Annual review, p. 1-19.

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## EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 6

time 19-03-2019 08:15 til

19-03-2019 12:00

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location 25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98)

Content

Complex responsive processes/Uffe Kjærgaard Hansen & Mette Apollo

George Herbert Mead. Analyzing strategies in business and organization - Ideology, Identity,

Power, legitimate and shadow themes, Immersing

Reading list Stacey & Mowles Ch. 14, 15 and 16

## EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 7

26-03-2019 08:15 til time

26-03-2019 12:00

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location 25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98)

Content

Methodological implications in Complex responsive processes/Mette Apollo Exercise: Writing Stacey Poetry - information to follow Purpose: The purpose of this class will be to focus on methodological implications and strategies to analyze Stacey-approaches. Discussion: What is reflexivity according to Stacey? What is the purpose of narrative strategies? What is the purpose of ethnomethodological strategies and ethnographic approaches?

Exercise: Synopsis work - Could any of these methodological approaches be useful for the problems, you are researching? Start writing the methodology section of your synopsis

Reading list

Stacey and Mowles Ch 17 and 18 Methodology chapter in Sheffield, R. (2012) Understanding the complex organisational processes that help and hinder creativity and innovation. PhD, University of the West of England

## EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 8

time 02-04-2019 08:15 til

02-04-2019 12:00

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location 25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98)

Content

9a. Leadership and ethics/Jacob Dahl Rendtorff We discuss the most important concepts applied in the exploring leadership, CSR and ethics. We begin by relating the concept of leadership ethics to the concept of organizational integrity. After this we discuss the institutionalization of corporate ethics and social responsibility programs in firms. Moreover, we present the concept of business ethics in relation to the strategy of creating shared value in business organizations. Finally, we present the danger of moral blindness in organizations.

9b. When "unknowabilities" are challenging leadership - how may we get "Wise leaders"?/Margit Neisig This lecture concerns the challenges even modern leadership theory faced when "unknowabilities" complicates transactional as well as transformational leadership. We look at what authentic leadership is - and goes into more depth with the "wise leaders" - which is also the end of this course.

# EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 9

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location 25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98)

Conclusive session – highlighting learning objectives of course content/Søren Jagd +Uffe

Kjærgaard Hansen Summing up the Stacey perspective Building up analysis in a Stacey frame

Quality assessment

Reading list Crevani, L. (2015): Relational leadership., in: Carroll, Ford, Taylor (ed.), Leadership:

Contemporary critical perspectives London: Sage (36 p.)

# EBA, BS: Business Studies and Management & Leadership Processes - Exam: Submission

time 16-04-2019 10:00 til

16-04-2019 10:00

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### EBA, BS: Business Studies and Leadership Processes - Lecture 10

time 16-04-2019 10:15 til

16-04-2019 12:00

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location 25.1-035 - teori 25.1 (98)

Content Workshop: Building up your poster/Mette Apollo

# EBA, BS: Business Studies and Management & Leadership Processes - Oral examination

time 07-06-2019 09:00 til

14-06-2019 16:00

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Content No exam on June 10, Whit Monday

# EBA, BS: Business Studies and Management & Leadership Processes - Reexam: Submission

time 12-08-2019 10:00 til

12-08-2019 10:00

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## EBA, BS: Business Studies and Management & Leadership Processes - Reexam: Oral examination

22-08-2019 00:00 til time

23-08-2019 00:00

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**STADS** master course

stamdata workload: 10/5 ECTS activitycode: U40149/U41210

> exam form : Mundtlig (ua) / grading: 7-point grading scale / censorship: Internal censor

Passed/Not passed Skriftlig/mundtlig