The Politics of Public Management: Theories and Contemporary Studies

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<td>Koen Verhoest, University of Antwerp, BE; Eva Bejerot, Department of Psychology, Stockholm University, SE; Niels Åkerstrøm Andersen, Copenhagen Business School, DK; Donald Moynihan, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA; Patrik Hall, Malmö University, SE.</td>
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<td>Kursusdage</td>
<td>The course will be held at the old City Hall in the center of Roskilde. The address is: Det Gamle Rådhus, Stændertorvet 1, DK-4000 Roskilde</td>
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<td>Deltagelseskrav for opnåelse af ects</td>
<td>In order to pass the course, it is necessary to present a research paper dealing with a theoretical, methodological and/or analytical-empirical part of your PhD project. The paper should have a length of 6,000 to 8,000 words. You should specify whether the paper is intended as part of a (monograph) chapter, a journal article, or other. Whatever the format, your paper should spell out the research question(s) the paper addresses. Deadline for submitting the paper to Cecilie Thorsted Flo (email: <a href="mailto:thorsted@ruc.dk">thorsted@ruc.dk</a>) is 28th October.</td>
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Since the 1980s, the public sectors of most OECD countries have gone through substantial reforms. Under the heading of New Public Management, the public sectors of these countries have seen the introduction of a wide range of new managerial systems and tools, such as contracting out, performance management and measurement, customer choice, user satisfaction surveys, benchmarking and accreditation. The ambitions have been to increase value-for-money, goal-effectiveness, cost control, service quality and responsiveness to citizen needs. While public management reforms are often marketed – at least by their proponents – as mere technical and administrative reforms, they are deeply political and contested. This may be no surprise to political scientists and social theorists. Yet we find a number of different interpretations and analytical frameworks employed to understand the political processes, struggles and consequences evolving around public management reforms and schemes.

This course gives an overview of the contemporary academic debate and the political reforms trends within the politics of public management. The course is relevant for all PhD students who are interested in critically understanding and analysing changes and reforms of public management and policy across different disciplines and research paradigms. The participants will encounter both classical and recent theoretical understandings of the politics of public management and a mix of methodological approaches to study these changes.

The course is relevant for all PhD students research the politics of public management, public sector reforms, and issues concerning modern public service delivery. The course will integrate conceptual and theoretical discussions with actual developments and processes in the public sector. This includes questions of how to understand the changes, conflicts and power relations invested in public management tools and systems. By the end of the course the participants will have achieved a solid understanding of the theoretical concepts and debates over the politics of public management, an overview of the systems and tools actually employed in public management, and familiarity with some the key methodological approaches used to study these phenomena.

For more information contact Cecilie Thorsted Flo, thorsted@ruc.dk or Peter Triantafillou, triant@ruc.dk

Pris

Fee: 535 euro (except for Danish students included in the open market for PhD students). This fee provides for lunches all days and two dinners.

Litteratur

Some of the reading material, namely the journal articles will be available on Moodle for RUC students.

The books can either be borrowed at your University library or bought online.

Undervisningsansvarlig Peter Triantafillou ( triant@ruc.dk )
**Session 1**

**Tidspunkt** 11/11-2013 kl. 10:30 - 17:30  
**Underviser** Peter Triantafillou (triant@ruc.dk)  
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**PROGRAM**

10.30 - 11.00: Welcome
11.00 - 12.30: Introductory lecture: Perspectives on the Politics of Public Management. Patrik Hall & Peter Triantafillou  
12.30 - 13.30: Lunch  
13.30 - 15.30: The Politics of Public Management in Western Europe Lecture by Koen Verhoest  
15.30 - 16.00: Coffee break  
16.00 - 17.45: Paper presentations: Rasmus Nielsen (devt. of institutions governing technology). Discussant: Mats Fred. Olesia Ovchinnikova (The social construction of time as a contributing factor in child-adult power relations). Discussant: Josef Chaib.  

**Literature to prepare for the day:**


**Session 2**

**Tidspunkt** 12/11-2013 kl. 09:00 - 17:30  
**Underviser** Eva Sørensen (eva@ruc.dk)  
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**PROGRAM**

09.00 - 10.30 Public Management in Denmark Eva Sørensen  
10.30 - 11.00 Coffee break  
12.45 - 13.45 Lunch  
15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break  
16.00 - 17.30 Management of Swedish public health services Eva Bejerot
Session 3

Tidspunkt 13/11-2013 kl. 09:00 - 17:30

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PROGRAM


10.45 - 11.15 Coffee break

11.15 - 12.45 The Politics of Performance Management in the United States Donald Moynihan

12.45 - 13.45 Lunch


15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 - 17.30 Paradoxes of welfare management. Niels Åkerstrøm

18.00 - .. Dinner at Restaurant Snekken, Roskilde

Literature to prepare for the day:


Session 4

Tidspunkt 14/11-2013 kl. 09:00 - 17:30

Underviser Peter Triantafillou ( triant@ruc.dk )

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PROGRAM

09.00 - 10.30 Public Management as a Governmentality Peter Triantafillou

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 - 12.45 Thematic discussion

12.45 - 13.45 Lunch
13.45 - 15.30 Thematic discussion

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 - 17.30 Concluding perspectives on the Politics of Public Management. Patrik Hall & Peter Triantafilou --

**Literature to prepare for the day:**