

Project-oriented internship

Title	Project-oriented internship
Semester	F2023
Master programme in	Nordic Urban Planning Studies
Type of activity	Project oriented internship
Teaching language	English
Study regulation	Read about the Master Programme and find the Study Regulations at ruc.dk

REGISTRATION AND STUDY ADMINISTRATIVE

Registration	Please be aware of the approval requirements for a project-oriented internship. You can read more about the approval process here
Number of participants	
ECTS	15
Responsible for the activity	David Pinder (dpinder@ruc.dk)
Head of study	Lasse Martin Koefoed (lmartin@ruc.dk)
Teachers	
Study administration	IMT Registration & Exams (imt-exams@ruc.dk)
Exam code(s)	U60329

ACADEMIC CONTENT

Overall objective	The project-oriented internship may be taken as an alternative to the second semester project at RUC. It provides an opportunity to learn through a mix of practical work, reflection on the intersection between theory and practice, and independent preparation of the internship report under the guidance of a supervisor. Students are themselves responsible for finding and securing an internship host, and for the practical implementation of the internship, including
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ensuring that both their tasks for the host and their obligations to the university are fulfilled.

The internship must be approved by the study leader before it is commenced. The main activities must be described, and they must lie within the field of the programme. The total work commitment is around 400 hours, of which at least 100 hours should be used for specific study activities.

A written project report must be prepared. The problem statement is defined by the student but must relate to theoretical or empirical issues from the field of the programme, which the internship at the host organization or its activities provide an opportunity to explore and illuminate.

Detailed
description of
content

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Course
material and
Reading list

Readings to be identified by the student relevant to the focus of the project-oriented internship.

Overall plan
and expected
work effort

Expected study effort

A total of 405 hours, of which at least 100 hours should be devoted to study activities and project writing. Of these, around 10 hours are for

supervisions/workshops and mid-term evaluation. The exam, including preparation, takes a further 4 hours.

Teaching and learning activities:

• Internship application and contract • Internship employment • Independent research • Supervisory and workshop meetings • Mid-term evaluation

Format

Staff-involving activities take place on campus.

Internship work takes place at the relevant company or organization.

Evaluation and feedback

The project-oriented internship is evaluated via a written questionnaire after the end of the overall activity, and is evaluated more generally through meetings of the NUPS Education Committee and contributions of student representatives.

Programme

Dates to be added

ASSESSMENT

By the end of this project/oriented internship, students should be able to:

Overall learning outcomes

- Apply relevant theories, methods and approaches from the programme to address practical problems and issues within the context of the internship
- Demonstrate knowledge and insight into current academic literature relevant to addressing the research questions of the internship project
- Identify, work with and analyse academically relevant research questions in specific practical contexts
- Reflect on the academic competences needed to participate in, understand or solve practical tasks/research questions

- Evaluate and reflect on how knowledge, skills and competences obtained through the programme can be applied to work on practice assignments/research questions
- Independently complete a project-oriented internship, including planning and managing the workflow
- Relate practical knowledge and experience to the programme's academic theories, concepts and methods

Oral exam based on project oriented internship

The character limit of the written product is: 38,400-50,400 characters, including spaces.

The character limits include the cover, table of contents, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices.

Form of examination

Time allowed for exam including time used for assessment: 30 minutes.

The assessment is an assessment of the written product and the oral performance.

Writing and spelling skills in the report are part of the assessment.

Permitted support and preparation materials for the oral exam: All.

Assessment: 7-point grading scale.

Moderation: Internal co-assessor.

Form of Re-examination

Samme som ordinær eksamen / same form as ordinary exam

Type of examination in special cases

Examination and assessment criteria

Project report and any supplementing materials forms the basis of the exam.

The exam includes an individual presentation (max 5 min) of aspects of internship project report. This is followed by a discussion between the student and the examiners based around the written report. Any questions

relevant for the theme of second semester internship can be asked during the exam.

Formal requirements regarding the content and length of the project report and length of the project exam are outlined above.

Assessment criteria:

Assessment consists of a joint assessment of the project report and the oral exam.

Project report - high emphasis is put on abilities to:

- Identify and analyse academically relevant research questions in the practical context of the internship
- Demonstrate understanding of relevant current planning literature and debates
- Identify, apply and assess the implications of planning theories, methods and approaches relevant for addressing practical issues and problems within the internship
- Evaluate how knowledge, skills and competencies from the programme can be applied to work on practice assignments and research questions
- Communicate reflections and arguments effectively through the form of the written report.

Writing and spelling skills in the project report are part of the assessment.

Oral exam - high emphasis is put on the ability to:

- Elaborate and reflect on how the practical knowledge and experience of the internship relates to theories, concepts and methods addressed in the programme, and vice versa
- Evaluate the findings and arguments of the internship report, and assess critically the strengths and weaknesses of the theories, methods and approaches employed as well as alternatives.

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Course days:

Hold: 1

Project-oriented internship - Project formation (NUPS)

time 01-02-2023 09:00 til
01-02-2023 16:00
location 02.1-141 - lille-geo (20)
Teacher Lasse Martin Koefoed (lmartin@ruc.dk)

Project-oriented internship - Project formation (NUPS)

time 02-02-2023 12:15 til
02-02-2023 16:00
location 02.1-141 - lille-geo (20)
Teacher Lasse Martin Koefoed (lmartin@ruc.dk)

Project-oriented internship - Project formation (NUPS)

time 03-02-2023 09:00 til
03-02-2023 14:00
location 02.1-141 - lille-geo (20)
Teacher Lasse Martin Koefoed (lmartin@ruc.dk)

Project-oriented internship - Hand-in for Midterm (NUPS)

time 30-04-2023 10:00 til
30-04-2023 10:00
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Project-oriented internship - Midterm (NUPS)

time 03-05-2023 08:15 til
03-05-2023 18:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt

Project-oriented internship - Hand-in (NUPS)

time 07-06-2023 10:00 til
07-06-2023 10:00

forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt

Project-oriented internship - Oral examination (NUPS)

time 19-06-2023 08:15 til
30-06-2023 18:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt

Project-oriented internship - Oral reexamination (NUPS)

time 01-08-2023 08:15 til
31-08-2023 18:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt