PhD council meeting  
Department of Psychology

**Agenda for the PhD council the 14th of December 2015**

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1. **Opening of meeting**

2. **Election of secretary and certifier**  
   Henrik, Diana

3. **Approval of minutes from previous meeting**

4. **Approval of agenda for the current meeting**

5. **Reports**
   a. **Department Board (Institutionsstyrelsen):** Henrik
      Delegationsordning at SU/samfak, available on the samfak webpage
      The Vice-Chancellor approved Stockholms Universitets Psykologiska klinik. A board will set up.
      SUBIC: Grants for fMRI, EEG, MEG, TMS acquired (44,5m kr)
      Open lectures at ABF-huset
      A new booking system for lecture halls (Time Edit) will be evaluated
   b. **Professors’ group:** Henrik
   c. **Social Science Faculty Council:** Sebastian
   d. **Centrala Doktorandrådet:** Sebastian
   e. **Equal Rights Committee:** Kristina
   f. **Work environment Committee:** Nichel
      An ergonomist will visit the department 2016-01-20
   g. **Institute for Applied Behavioral Science (ITB):** Ivo
   h. **Work-life seminar series:** Joel

6. **Upcoming election to the PhD-board**
   No luck finding an election board so far

7. **Improvements to the thesis-progression template**
   Suggestion: Keep the template but let the PhD-student (together with the supervisor) decide approximately how much time each step will take. Each study should add up to 45hp. If the student/supervisor think the template is ok, no changes are needed.
8. Brainstorming: courses that could be offered to PhD students

Implicit knowledge (things finished PhDs are supposed to know but many don’t, i.e. grant application, write/respond to reviews, scientific presentation, journal evaluation etc. If students learn these things or not should not only be up to the supervisor)
Software (R, Psychopy, Python etc.)
Scientific Writing (for psychology)
Psychometrics (Anders Sjöberg has suggested such course)
Theory of theories (What is a good/bad theory?)
Philosophy of mind (What are we really studying?)

9. Other issues

New template from SU for individuell studieplan. More info from Fredrik later.

10. Closing of the meeting