INSTRUCTIONS ON TEACHING DEMONSTRATION FOR APPLICANTS OF THE TITLE OF DOCENT

1. About the teaching demonstration

After the experts have issued favorable statements on the applicant's scientific competence, the applicant's teaching skills will be evaluated. In order to demonstrate one’s teaching skills, applicants of the title of docent must give a public teaching demonstration. For specific reasons, the Docent Committee of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Technology may relieve an applicant of the duty to give a teaching demonstration. Such specific reasons may be, for example, that the applicant has already given an approved teaching demonstration for a teaching post.

The duration of a teaching demonstration for the title of docent is 15 minutes, and the applicant may choose his or her own topic. The topic must be communicated to the Faculty within the given deadline.

2. Giving the teaching demonstration

The teaching demonstration should be given at a time determined by the Docent Committee of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Technology. The Committee recommends that the intended audience of the teaching demonstration are doctoral students and other scientific community. It is also recommended that the teaching demonstration presents the applicant's own research findings.

The form of the teaching demonstration is a lecture unless the Docent Committee decides otherwise. The Docent Committee may decide that the teaching demonstration can be presented via a remote video connection.

3. Assessment of the teaching demonstration

The Docent Committee of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Technology assesses the teaching demonstration. An approved teaching demonstration may be given the grade of ‘satisfactory’, ‘good’ or ‘excellent’. An applicant may be regarded as having the teaching competence required of a docent if the teaching demonstration is graded at least ‘good’.

In the assessment, attention is paid to the command of the scientific content of the teaching demonstration relative to the docent’s field, the topic of the demonstration, the structure of the presentation, the pedagogical skills of the applicant and the manner of presentation.

At its discretion, the Docent Committee may reserve one new opportunity for the applicant if his or her teaching demonstration has been graded ‘failed’ or ‘satisfactory’.

4. Guidelines on application

If an applicant refuses or fails, without a valid reason, to arrive to provide a teaching demonstration at a time and date given to him or her within a reasonable amount of time, the applicant's teaching skills cannot be assessed.

The Docent Committee decides on the application of these guidelines, from which it may deviate or issue additional instructions.