## **Course description**

Name of course:	Planning and controlling a PhD Project
ECTS credits:	2 ECTS
Course parameters:	<ul> <li>Language: English</li> <li>Level of course: PhD course</li> <li>Semester: Two times per year (Spring and Autumn)</li> <li>Capacity: Minimum 12 and maximum 24 participants</li> <li>Course Structure The course will cover 2 days from 9.00 to 16.00, and a ½ day follow-up from 9.00-12.00</li> </ul>
Objectives of the course:	This course will give a brief introduction to Project Management disciplines with focus on planning and controlling the students own PhD projects.  As a specific outcome all participants will have a plan with deliverables, milestones, and schedules for their PhD Project.
Learning outcomes and competences:	<ul> <li>At the end of the course the student should be able to:</li> <li>Plan and control their own PhD project with respect to deliverables, milestones and schedules</li> <li>Describe and understand basic elements of planning and controlling a project as well as risk management</li> </ul>
Compulsory programme: (e.g. reports)	Two course days and ½ day follow-up after 4-6 months with active participation.  Participants who are absent more than a half day (3 hours) will not be able to pass the course unless special arrangement has been agreed with the course lecturers
Course contents:	<ul> <li>The PhD Project: Context, content and process</li> <li>Work packages, Work Break Down (WBS) Structures</li> <li>Personal planning</li> <li>Project Planning with activities and milestones</li> <li>Brief about estimation, uncertainty, duration and workload</li> <li>Risk Management</li> <li>Control and progress measurement</li> </ul>
Prerequisites: (e.g. four years of study)	It is recommended, but not a prerequisite, that the student have a basic knowledge about projects either obtained from work in organizations, being part of research project(s) or others.
Name of lecturer(s):	<ul> <li>Course Coordinator &amp; lecturer: Per Svejvig, Associate Professor, PhD, Department of Management</li> <li>Lecturer: Jette Lundin, Teaching Associate Professor, Department of Management</li> </ul>

Type of course/teaching methods: (e.g. lectures, seminars, exercises)	Lectures, exercises, group work, discussions, individual/group assignment working with the participants own PhD projects
Literature:	Olsson, J. R., & Attrup, M. L. (2015). Power in Projects, Programs and Portfolios: Achieve project excellence and create change with strategic impact. Copenhagen: Djøf Publishing.
Course homepage:	Dropbox will be used for sharing course material
Course assessment: (e.g. an assignment, a paper, an oral exam)	Short paper concerning planning and controlling the students PhD project. Evaluation is passed / not passed