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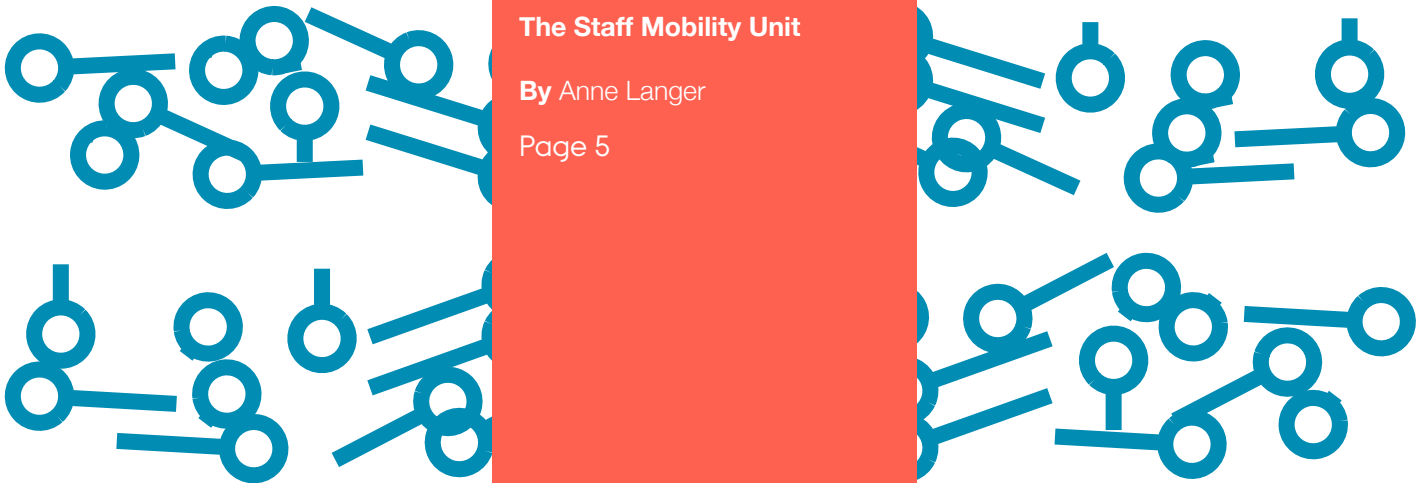
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# Open House: The AU PhD House Activity Group Magazine

“Open House” is a new publication at Aarhus University. It is a project initiated by the AU PhD House Activity Group. The group plans, organises, executes, and hosts events, and activities for PhD students at the university. Today this digital magazine is added to the array of services available to the PhD House community.

In this article, I welcome you to our “Open House”. I will give you an introduction to the magazine, its objective, and content. Imagine “Open House” as an organisational and conceptual tour of the PhD House and the PhD structure at Aarhus University. Imagine that each article is a different room in the house. The author encourages you to explore it at your leisure.

The magazine’s official language is English in order for it to be readily accessible to both Danish and international PhD students. It also intends to be an outlet for relevant information that is commonly only available in Danish in other university media.

The first issue of the magazine is aimed at presenting the AU PhD House and the services that it provides to PhD students at the university. Therefore, you will find that the articles describe some of these services and the people dedicated to them. The articles will allow you to become familiar with the PhD House and everything it has to offer for your PhD experience at AU.

As you might know by now, PhD students at Aarhus University are

employees, and as such, we are considered university staff. For that reason, it is the Staff Mobility Unit, at the International Centre, that receives PhD students and their families when they come to Aarhus University from abroad. Anne Langer, coordinator of the unit, writes about the kind of services this unit has for both Danish and International PhD students. She always has the PhD students’ best interest at heart.

The second article was prepared by Gitte Haahr-Andersen, the host of the University International Club (UIC). UIC is probably the friendliest, most welcoming, and energetic meeting spot on campus. If you are interested in socialising and networking with both Danes and internationals, this is the right place. The club provides great gatherings in which to meet people and learn about Aarhus, Denmark, and the Danish culture. I highly recommend you read the article for more information.

Right after Gitte’s article, you will find a “Call for Contributions” for our upcoming section called “Featured AU PhD Student”. This section will be dedicated to feature a PhD student and his or her research. If you are interested in being that student, please, do let us know. We will be happy to work with you and have your research disseminated. Remember “Knowledge Transfer” is an important core activity at the university. This is your opportunity to achieve some of these goals. Tell us about your research.

Zsuzsanna Sukosd, chair of the AU PhD House Activity Group, writes about the group which is made up by a bunch of PhD students who are interested in planning events for other PhD students. We host the PhD Café once a month, organise music, social, and academic events and activities throughout the year. Get all the juicy details in Zsuzsanna’s article. After you read it, you might be interested in joining. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

The AU PhD House Activity Group is steered by a board of members. Katelijn Van Hende and I describe the structure of the board in the following piece. We introduce each board member, her or his role, and the overall functioning of the board. This is to give you an idea about how we work together. The board will be soon running an election. You could be a board member. Stay tuned for the election announcement. Coming soon!

Finally, we have a special invited article, for our “AU PhD” section, on Talent Development. Kristian Thorn, Deputy Director of AU Research and Talent, tells us about the AU PhD World. “Talent Development” is a term I had never encountered in my academic life. Therefore, I have always been very curious to know what the university means by “Talent Development”. Editing this magazine gave me the perfect excuse to ask the right people. I was truly glad that Kristian accepted my invitation to write

an article for "Open House". I must add he also answered all of my multiple questions in the friendliest manner. If you are also curious about what "Talent Development" is, spend some time reading this piece, and you will gain some insight into the AU PhD World of Talent Development both at the central and the faculty level. Such knowledge may come in handy sometime in the future.

And then at the very end, in the last two pages, you will find the directory of services available at the PhD House. There we have information on websites, e-mail addresses, and the like. There is even a map showing you where the PhD House is located. To the right of this column, we have the PhD House publications "catalogue". It shows all the media outlets we currently have. There we promote the events happening at the PhD House and organised by the PhD House Activity Group. Find the one media that best suits your communication needs and stay in touch and updated.

We strongly believe that the first step to ensuring that you effectively use the services available to you at the PhD House is to make you aware of their existence. We hope this issue will do just that. At the same time, we hope you will find the magazine to be useful, somewhat fun, and entertaining. We invite you to read on. Feel free to contact us and give us your comments.

Keep in mind that all PhD Students are certainly welcome to contribute to future issues of the magazine. You make great ideas for a living and your contributions could make "Open House" a really great publication and an ideal and unique outlet for those ideas at the AU PhD community.

Welcome Home!!!



## The PhD House Publications



### The AU Website: PhD House at the PhD Portal

The PhD House has its virtual home at the PhD Portal.

Here you can find information about the AU PhD House Activity Group, Dale's Café, the PhD House facilities within the Dale T. Mortensen Building, and the IC Dormitory.

Visit us at [phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/](http://phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/)



### The Facebook Page

Yes, we are also on Facebook.

Here you can a) like our page; b) obtain updates and RRS feeds on events, activities and other interesting and useful information; and c) potentially contact other PhD students and the AU PhD House Activity Group or even your PhD local association.

Find us as "PhD House Aarhus University"

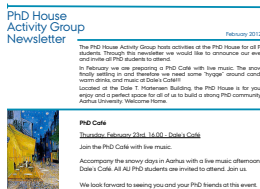


### The Magazine: Open House

Open House is the magazine for the AU PhD House and the AU PhD House Activity Group.

Here you can find relevant articles, in English, for PhD Students at Aarhus University. You can receive the magazine at the door of your e-mail inbox.

Sign up for the magazine at [phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/](http://phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/)



### The Monthly Newsletter

The PhD House Activity Group Newsletter is published every month.

Here you can find news, announcements, and a calendar of activities for that month. You can receive the newsletter at the door of your e-mail inbox.

Sign up to receive the newsletter, at [phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/](http://phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/)

**News and Announcements**

Hi there! Well it's been a while! There was great music, drinks, food, and drinks. We had a fun learning some chi-chi-cho and the DJ rocked! PhD Students were engaged in conversations. Thank you to all who showed up and participated. We are looking forward to the next event.

PhD Café: Every Thursday from 14:00 to 18:00 PhD students meet at Dale's Café for beer or coffee. Once a month the AU PhD House Activity Group will host the PhD Café. In February it's our turn!

PhD Café: Every month we publish the "PhD House Activity Group Newsletter". The newsletter contains a calendar of events for PhD students, held at the PhD House. Visit the PhD House website to sign up to receive the newsletter. <http://phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/>

A previously announced, later this month we are launching "Open House", the PhD House Activity Group magazine. The magazine will feature articles of interest for all AU PhD Students at the PhD House website to sign up to receive the magazine.

The PhD House Activity Group has a new page which will be used to list all our communication, publications, posters, and brochures. We hope this makes it easier for you to recognise our new clothes and notices.

on the PhD House Activity Group if you are interested in organizing events for other AU PhD students. Find more information at <http://phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/phdhouse-activity-group> or on Facebook at "PhD House Aarhus University". Like our page to be updated on new events, announcements, and interesting happenings in the AU PhD House community.

# The PhD House & The Staff Mobility Unit



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Located in the Dale T. Mortensen Building, the PhD House is a collection of services for PhD students. These services include the following: the International Centre (IC), IC Dormitory, Dale's Café, Conference Rooms and an office for the PhD Associations, the PhD Activity Group, the PhD House website, and soon Open House, a magazine for PhD students. The PhD House is currently sponsored by the Staff Mobility Unit at the International Centre. Along with the PhD House, the Staff Mobility Unit provides services for PhD students and researchers.

Staff Mobility is itself part of the International Centre, which is composed of 4 units: the Student Mobility Unit, the Staff Mobility Unit, Strategy and Partnerships and Housing. They are all dedicated to enhancing the internationalization of the University by catering to international students and staff at AU. The Student Mobility Unit provides services for exchange, guest and full-degree students whereas the Staff Mobility Unit assists researchers, including PhD students.

An important aspect of being a PhD student in Denmark is the fact that they are considered to be members of staff. PhD students receive a salary and a pension. They earn the right to holiday pay, take part in staff meetings and in all respects are looked upon as members of staff. This is why they have been included in the Staff Mobility Unit.

The Staff Mobility Unit collaborates closely with AU Human Resources to help foreign researchers (including PhD students) and their families overcome the practical challenges tied to their life in Denmark. As part of this, the unit operates a service desk and an extensive PhD Portal for international and Danish PhD students at AU.

The unit assists international staff and PhD students with the paperwork and practical challenges during their stay in Denmark, including health insurance, social security and extension of residence and work permits. It also assists researchers and PhD students with family issues including jobs for spouses,

international schools, kindergartens, etc.

The Staff Mobility Unit also guides PhD students and researchers planning a period abroad. It hosts a page on the PhD Portal for people Going Abroad and provides general assistance to PhD students and researchers going abroad for a short or long period of time.

Finally, the unit organizes social activities for staff and their families through the University International Club (UIC), and in cooperation with the PhD House Activity Group.

The Dale T. Mortensen Building is an important step in enhancing internationalization and talent development at Aarhus University; two areas which have had high priority during the last years. The PhD House and all the services it provides are located in this building. These services were created in order to remove many of the obstacles that make it difficult to attract international talent to Denmark. At the same time it enhances and strengthens the university's international environment, which makes Aarhus University even more attractive for our researchers and students.

Some history about the International Centre (IC)

The International Secretariat is in charge of student exchange and housing for exchange students.

2007

The International Help Desk is established to assist international PhD students and to a limited extent post-docs.

2008

The International Centre (IC) is created as part of the AU internationalisation strategy.

2009



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# The University International Club

University International Club (UIC) is part of the International Centre's activities.

Our year-round weekly meetings, seminars or excursions to interesting sites are organised, either Wednesday mornings or afternoons. All events aim at helping staff members and their spouses to settle here easier.

Each semester a variety of topics are offered to broaden knowledge of the Danish society and the Danish culture.

Foreign participants are also asked to give a talk about their professional work or home country. At the Informal Meetings often current topics are spontaneously taken up. Suggestions are welcome. At each meeting there is time to socialise and to build new friendships.

The UIC Program this coming semester contains something on Danish literature, history, music, Danish Art 'the Anastasia' the huge ceiling artwork on AU Campus, on "Managing Identities in an Era of Globalization". You can also join a tax seminar,

or a presentation about pension plans in DK, just to mention a few. For more information about our events, visit the UIC website: [www.au.dk/uic](http://www.au.dk/uic)

Another service to benefit from is the Weekly UIC Newsletter: Sign up for the weekly newsletter to find out about what happens in the greater Aarhus area, but also to obtain a lot of useful general information. It goes out every Thursday.

Language training or friendly Danes to meet can often be arranged. All this is an AU free of charge service to all foreign staff, their family members – but we also welcome Danes who like to meet internationals!

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Join the UIC often, or from time to time to network and to gain essential information.

Here you will meet people from all over the world, with diverse backgrounds, interests and age groups. It is a lot of fun.

**"Welcome to the weekly international meeting place at the Dale T. Mortensen Building"**

## More About UIC

The UIC has been helping newcomers at AU to settle in since 1998 and welcomes people from all nations, educational backgrounds and languages, although English is commonly spoken. We encourage a positive atmosphere and will do our best to help you enjoy your stay – and hopefully lead you settling here for good.

## Call for Contributions for a New Section: "Featured AU PhD Student"

We are looking for PhD students who would like to appear in the next issue of OPEN HOUSE, in an upcoming, brand-new section designed to feature the research being done by fellows of the AU PhD community. This is a great, unique opportunity to put your PhD research project out there.

If you are interested, please contact Alejandra Zaragoza Scherman at [alejandra@psy.au.dk](mailto:alejandra@psy.au.dk)

# The AU PhD House Activity Group



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## Join the PhD House Activity Group

### Don't Be Out. Be IN-volved.

The PhD House Activity Group is looking for creative, passionate, involved, fun, enthusiastic, and engaged PhD Students interested in building a strong PhD community at Aarhus University.

We would like you to join the group. We like to have fun and socialise while organising social and academic events for PhD Students.

If you feel this is a project that you would like to be a part of, e-mail Zsuzsanna at [zs@mb.au.dk](mailto:zs@mb.au.dk)

The PhD House Activity Group is a newly founded association of PhD students at Aarhus University. The group formed in the spirit of the PhD House project, with the official university strategy of knowledge transfer, focused talent development and internationalisation in mind. The group organizes events of interest to PhD students at AU, and the vision is to serve as a social hub for PhD students across academic disciplines and cultural background.

With this in mind, we make sure that all our events are organized in English and are accessible to as many PhD students as possible. Most events take place in the PhD House, but there are occasional exceptions to this, when we expect a larger audience than what the PhD House can accommodate. In the past, our events have ranged from music and game nights in Dale's Café, lectures and talks, workshops and beer tasting to the screening of The PhD Movie, which attracted over 380 PhD students. We plan to continue in this tradition of diversity, and look forward to making Aarhus University an even better place to be for both international and Danish PhD students.

The structure of the group is somewhat unconventional, as we have three levels of membership: the board (who are formally

elected and represent all faculties), the group (who have expressed interest in being involved in brainstorming future events and offer practical help when needed), and the "interested", who have joined our Facebook page or signed up to our mailing list, and therefore receive our monthly newsletter with upcoming events and our biannual Open House magazine publication. We are always happy to receive suggestions on future events - just drop us an email, we carefully consider all ideas. Our board meetings are also open, and announced on our Facebook group, all PhD students are welcome to attend.

The International Center, through the Staff Mobility Unit, generously provides us with funding, which makes it possible for us to organize a large number of activities every year. The group can also be seen as the social counterpart of the more political Aarhus University PhD Association (AUPA). The two associations were funded in the same constituent general assembly, and remain in close contact, mutually acknowledging the important roles they play in the new structure of Aarhus University.

We are excited to be serving you in the PhD House Activity Group, and are looking forward to seeing you at our future events.

### About Zsuzsanna

Zsuzsanna Sukosd is a 3rd-year PhD student, affiliated with the iNano Center and the Bioinformatics Research Center at the Faculty of Science and Technology. She has been involved with the PhD House Activity Group since its early beginnings in 2010, and is also active as an extra on the board of PHAUST (the PhD Association at the Faculty of Science and Technology). In her free time, she enjoys dancing and playing the piano.

# The AU PhD House Activity Group Board

The Aarhus University PhD House Activity Group consists of a Board and members. The group's goal is to host events and activities for PhD students at the PhD House, that contribute to its international, multidisciplinary, and social aims. We hope to establish a creative, fun, and welcoming PhD community at the university. All AU PhD students, from all faculties, with any nationality, are invited to join us. At the same time, any PhD student is welcome to present ideas for future events at the PhD House.

The main purpose of the board is to steer initiatives, and organize the social activities mentioned above. The board holds meetings on a regular basis and all PhD students are welcome to attend. The board holds election every half year. All PhD students at AU are eligible to vote. The PhD House Activity Group will announce a general assembly when an election is approaching.

The board consists of a chair, a treasurer, an event officer, a compliance officer, a communication officer, an editor-in-chief, and other board members or alternates who help when needed. Board meetings are also attended by a contact person from the AU International Centre (IC).

The current board is formed by Zsuzsanna Sukosd (Faculty of Science and Technology) as the chair. She calls for and chairs the meetings; Ajigul Nurmamat (Faculty of Science and Technology), the treasurer, she manages the budget and financial matters in collaboration with Amalie Danckert and Anne Langer from the Staff Mobility Unit, at IC; Amanda Miles (Faculty of Business and Social Sciences), the compliance officer, who makes sure that our events fit the goals of the activity group; Katelijn Van Hende (Faculty of Business and Social Sciences) and Béatrice Schütte -alternate- (Faculty of Business and Social Sciences), the communication officers, they are responsible for sending all communications, both internally and externally; Jonathan Montomoli (Faculty of Health), the event officer, who keeps records of all events, and Alejandra Zaragoza Scherman (Faculty of Business and Social Sciences), the editor-in-chief, who is in charge of the publication of the monthly newsletter and our magazine "Open House". Troels Stru Schmidt (Faculty of Arts) is a board member who helps when needed and Mahatab Uddin (Faculty of Business and Social Sciences) is an alternate who assists just like the other board members, and in addition is ready to jump in for any absent board member.

Please, remember that everyone is welcome to come to the PhD House, and have a coffee or a chat at Dale's café. Do not hesitate to contact us with questions, ideas or feedback. We appreciate any contributions and are continuously learning and challenging ourselves.



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## About Kateljin and Alejandra

Alejandra and Katelijn are both PhD students at Business and Social Sciences. Alejandra is part of the department of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences and Katelijn is part of the Department of Law. Alejandra and Katelijn are both Board members since the last General Assembly and have enjoyed working together in the Group since. Both of them are also active members of Aarhus internationals, a social network for expats in Aarhus. We hope to meet you soon at Dale's café for a coffee and a chat!



# The AU PhD World: Talent Development

Universities are competing not only nationally, but globally for the brightest young minds with the greatest research career potential. It is precisely the ability to sustain a steady inflow of talents that will determine whether a university succeeds or fails in the future. Aarhus University is fully embracing this fact and has set the ambition of being among the most attractive places in Europe for young research talents to study and develop. In fact, Aarhus University has made 'talent development' one of four core pillars in its overall strategy.

At Aarhus University talent development is the effort to unleash research potential among international and Danish youth. Doctoral training is an important element in this endeavor, but the effort goes much further. Talent development describes a full range of training and development activities that begins with early recruitment to a PhD program and ends with the first permanent research position in industry or academia following the successful completion of a post-doctoral assignment.

Talent development is important for two main reasons: first because it contributes to the goals of the 'innovative society', which has been identified as one of the pillars of the future economy, and second because it provides universities a broad base for recruiting the next generation of researchers and lecturers; furthermore, in the interplay between these objectives emerges the possibility for closer university-industry collaboration.

Doctoral students continue to play a central role in talent development and Aarhus University has already come a long way in strengthening PhD programs, both qualitatively and quantitatively. In the course of the last five years Aarhus University has doubled the intake of doctoral students. This expansion has been matched by a significant increase in the number of international PhD students at Aarhus University— on average one out of five PhD students are recruited from abroad. The four newly established graduate schools at Aarhus University all offer talent development of the highest international standard and encourage research that cuts across traditional academic areas.

## Dedicated to Talent Development

At Aarhus University talent development is a core activity. The newly completed reorganization underpins this focus.



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While doctoral programs remain a cornerstone in talent development activities, Aarhus University is also implementing initiatives that expand the scope of talent development. This means an increased focus on early recruitment to PhD programs and, at the other end, post-doctoral researchers. This development has already begun, with flexible doctoral programs allowing graduate students with strong research potential to start their PhD after completing a bachelor's degree, and a dedicated effort to create transparent career pathways and opportunities for PhD's upon graduation.

Aarhus University's ambition to be a leader within talent development goes hand in hand with an obligation to provide world-class administrative services. With the placement of services under one administrative roof in AU Research and Talent, opportunities arise to strategically align efforts to internationalize, support research applications, and develop talent.

A cornerstone is the PhD house in the Dale T. Mortensen Building, which integrates academic, social, and administrative elements for young talents. All of these services are designed to make internationals at Aarhus University feel welcome – and there is much more to come in the future, when the establishment of Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies will add thrust to the recruitment to Aarhus of international talents at the post-doctoral level.

Sustaining Aarhus University as a vibrant and welcoming environment for young researchers depends on the effort of many – not least the recruited talents themselves. It is crucial that young researchers engage in and make full use of opportunities to interact – socially as well as academically. All initiatives to facilitate active participation – e.g., the newly established university wide PhD association, AUPA – are important elements in strengthening talent development both for the individual and Aarhus University.

**Dean and Vice-deans of Research and Talent Development**

<b>Dean for Talent Development</b>	<b>Vice Dean - Faculty of Arts</b>	<b>Vice Dean - Faculty of Health</b>	<b>Vice Dean - Faculty of Business and Social Sciences</b>	<b>Vice Dean - Faculty of Science and Technology</b>
				
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The four vice-deans for talent development are Anne Marie Pahuus (Arts -AR), Lise Wogensen Bach (Health -HE), Per Baltzer Overgaard (Business and Social Sciences -BSS), and Jes Madsen (Science and Technology -ST).

Together with the dean for BSS Svend Hylleberg they are responsible for all strategic, academic issues pertaining to talent development. The five people constitute a cross cutting entity on talent development at AU to which the broader forum on talent development (about 20 people) is tied. There is a clear distinction between academic management and administration. The vice-deans are responsible for all academic matters, while 'AU Research and Talent' take care of the management and administration. Hence, the role of AU Research and Talent is to serve as secretariat for the cross cutting entity on research and talent development and make sure that all decisions are implemented on a day-to-day basis.

### The Staff Mobility Unit

#### A Warm Welcome to AU

The Staff Mobility Unit is tasked with helping foreign researchers (including PhD students) and their families deal with the practical challenges connected with their arrival in Denmark; preparing information material and manuals in English; initiating targeted recruitment campaigns; holding introduction courses for international PhD students and staff; counseling AU researchers planning a period abroad; promoting the social integration of new international researchers and PhD students. The office is open twice a week for personal assistance; e-mail: [ic-staff@adm.au.dk](mailto:ic-staff@adm.au.dk) for more information.

### Dale's Cafe

#### Food for PhD's Thoughts

Dale's Café is a new meeting place for international students and the university's increasing number of PhD students. The café offers quality coffee, sandwiches and a wide selection of beers. It has an informal lounge area where students and young researchers can relax while enjoying snacks and beverages. The café features Group, Streetview, a wall mosaic by the Danish artist Erik A. Frandsen. Dale's Café is named after Aarhus University's 2010 Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences, Dale T. Mortensen.

### The IC Dormitory

#### A House within The PhD House

The IC Dormitory for international PhD students is an integral part of the PhD House. The dormitory offers twenty-eight single rooms and two double rooms. Each room has its own bathroom and there are two well-equipped kitchens for joint use. The building also contains two spacious apartments, each with its own bathroom and kitchen.

The IC Dormitory is administered by the IC Housing Unit; email: [housing@adm.au.dk](mailto:housing@adm.au.dk)

### Conference Rooms

#### Room for further learning

The Dale T. Mortensen Building contains two modern conference rooms, available for the PhD House. The conference rooms are prioritized for PhD activities, either courses on transversal skills, PhD association activities or graduate school activities.

### The PhD House Activity Group

#### Enjoy eventful evenings

The PhD House Activity Group hosts activities in the PhD House. All PhD students who are interested in the PhD House can join. The group cooperates with the four PhD Associations about organising academic and social events such as music events, the PhD Café and after-work meetings in Dale's Café.

The group is always looking for new members. If you wish to join or are interested in getting more information about the group, please visit <http://phd.au.dk/en/phdhouse/> for more information.

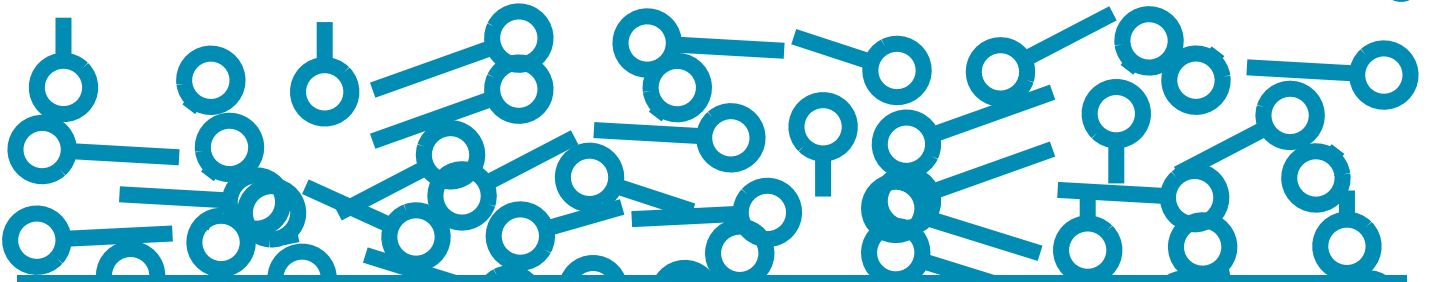
### The International Club

#### How to "hygge" in Aarhus

The University International Club (UIC) provides a social and cultural meeting place for international staff members and their spouses, guest employees and visitors from abroad. UIC arranges weekly social and cultural activities with the aim of helping our guests to adjust more easily to their life in Denmark.

UIC's activities take place within the environs of Aarhus University and participation is free of charge. In addition to the meetings, you can sign up for the weekly newsletter at [gha@adm.au.dk](mailto:gha@adm.au.dk). It provides information of general interest as well as suggestions and announcements for the coming weekend.

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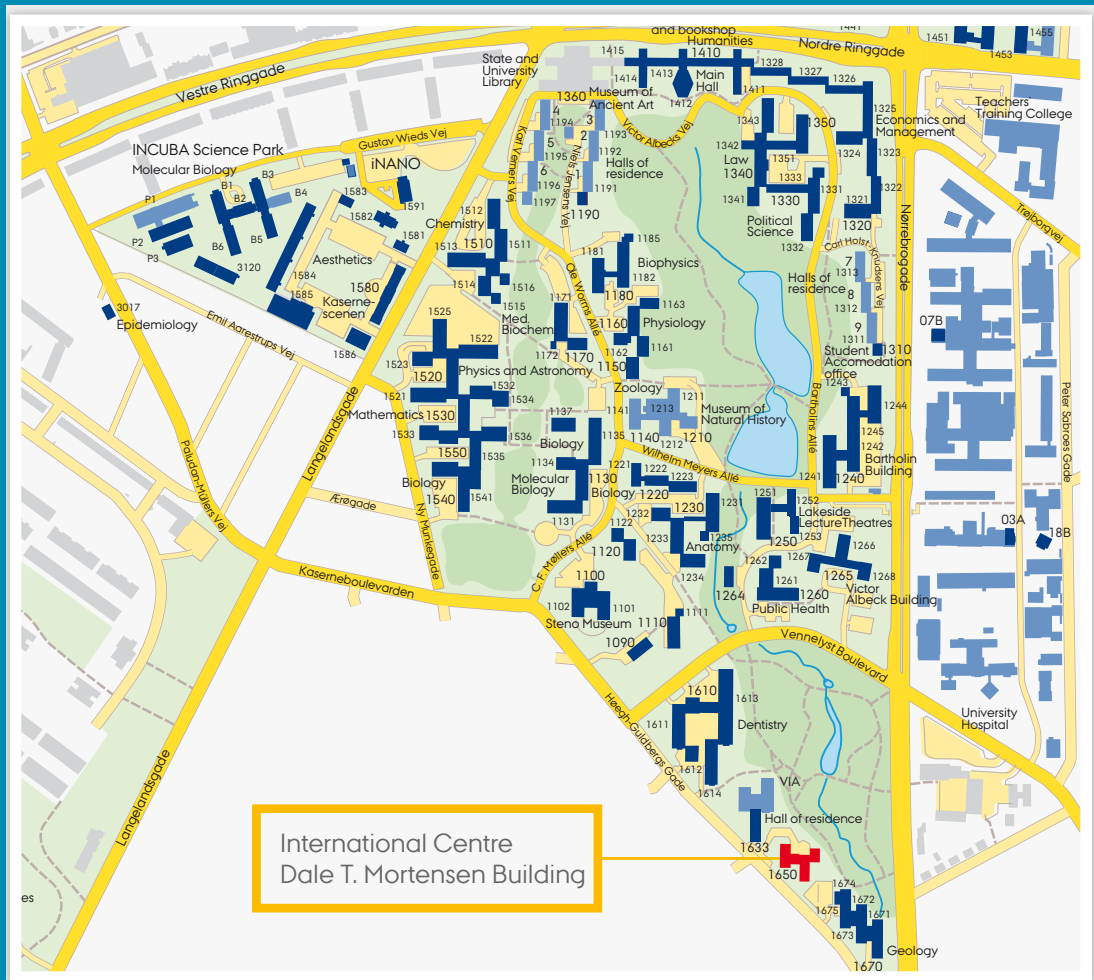
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