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# DISABILITY A HUMAN CONDITION

Research and practice based approaches

## Practical information

**Seminar:** December 5<sup>th</sup> 2014, 9.30am – 4pm

**Place:** University of Southern Denmark, room O100

**Cost:** 950 DKK exclusive of VAT when registering before November 1<sup>st</sup>. After November 1<sup>st</sup> the price will be 1050 DKK exclusive of VAT. Meals are included in the price.

**Registration deadline:** November 28<sup>th</sup> at

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PROFESSIONAL MASTER'S PROGRAMME IN REHABILITATION

# Rehabilitation Seminar Program

9.30-10.00	Check in and breakfast with coffee
10.00-10.10	<b>Hans Lund: Welcome and introduction</b>
10.10-10.25	<b>Ole Skøtt: The understanding of disability in health research and practice</b>
10.25-11.20	<b>Jerome E. Bickenbach: ICF the only game in town</b> The International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF) is a globally implemented statistical, clinical and scientific research tool as well as a conceptualization of functioning and disability from the perspective of health. This is why disability studies researchers should be familiar with and apply the ICF: it is the only game in town.
11.20-11.50	<b>Inge S Bonfils: Using the ICF in social work services for people with intellectual disabilities – implications and challenges.</b> The presentation will illustrate dilemmas, challenges and professional implications when social workers are using the ICF in services for people with intellectual disabilities. The presentation highlights how the professional culture, institutional and political context have an impact on the use of the tool.
11.50-12.30	<b>PANEL DEBATE on ICF: Jerome E. Bickenbach &amp; Inge S Bonfils</b> (Moderator: Hans Lund)
12.30-13.30	<b>Lunch</b>



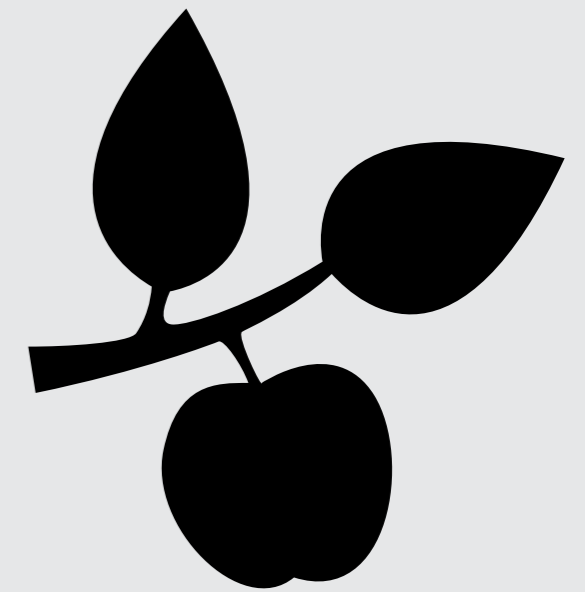
13.30-14.00 **Ejgil Jespersen: Life on Mount Obstacle**  
Dis-ease of existence is a human condition. By adding a dash to the concept of disease the literal sense of the word comes to the fore, namely discomfort and inconvenience implying some movement constraints that can be described as an experienced lack of ease. This concerns everybody and not only minority groups in terms of "persons with disabilities".

14.00-14.30 **Anne-Marie S. Christensen: Disabilities and the Capabilities Approach.** The question of disability is a vast one, for the cognitive and physical impairments that "people with disabilities" have throughout their lives are similar in degree and kind to the disabilities that "normal" human beings experience as they age. Therefore, according to Martha Nussbaum, we need an alternate model that can accommodate this continuity and be used to assess human development: the Capabilities Approach.

14.30-15.00 **Coffee break**

15.00-16.00 **PANEL DEBATE on DISABILITY: Jerome E. Bickenbach, Inge S Bonfils, Ejgil Jespersen, Anne-Marie S Christensen, Jens Olesen**  
(moderator: Hans Lund)  
While demystifying the 'specialness' of disability, we also need to acknowledge that the personal and social burdens of disability are unevenly distributed. Therefore, any justifiable universalism must take particularity and difference into account.

Jens Olesen is introducing the panel discussion with a case study of Parkinson's disease confronting the fragmented medical, objective and normative snapshot of disability and the inter-subjective description and narrative of the lived experience of a person with a disability.



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