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## **BSc and MSc in Social Science (Samfundsfag)**

### **Where are we now, and where are we heading?**

We strive to educate and train students to develop their social science knowledge, competences, and analytical skills, so they can contribute to society, yet also engage in a synergetic bridge with other scientific fields. The social science study programme builds upon a well-consolidated research environment at the department. We are working continuously to create a strong programme with a strong study environment to emphasise the education's established bond with political science – as well as its individual profile as a cross-disciplinary education programme. In 2018, we reformed both the BSc and MSc programme to ensure a better progression, as well as to harmonise the programme with the different minors from other faculties, thereby giving the students more flexibility and helping them to complete the programme on time. The changes have been very well-received by the students.

In the coming years, the focus is on raising the intake of students on the MSc as well as the employability and retention of our students. Regarding the intake, we are still awaiting the full effect of the reformed programme from 2018.

### **Aims**

- Maintain an attractive study programme with good retention and high employment rates.
- A higher intake on the MSc programme.
- A strengthened programme-profile which highlights both the elements common with political science as well as the individual strengths of a cross-disciplinary programme.

### **Actions**

- Implement the pedagogical frame for the Faculty of Business and Social Sciences and the five-point plan from the Executive Board
- We will promote the programme – both the BSc and the MSc – to secure a strong, attractive profile as well as a continued good intake on the BSc and higher intake of students on the MSc.
- We will continuously assess the reformed study programme to see whether it lives up to our expectations for a more flexible programme for the students as well as provides a higher intake of students on the MSc.
- To continuously exploit the synergies with the political science programme.