

Minutes 194th PC-AM-meeting Tuesday 14 January 2025 15:45 – 17:15 hr. ZL 2126

- 5 *Present:*
- Members:* *Prof. Dr. F. P. Schuller (Chairman), Dr. C. Pérez (Staff), E. van Laar (student), Dr. K. Proksch (Staff), J. P. Boon (Student), M. Snoeren (Student), L. S. Lanting (Student)*
- 10 *Guests:* *Dr. H. G. E. Meijer (PD), L. Van den Broek (M-coordinator), Dr. J. B. Timmer (B-coordinator), E. Leering (Abacus), N. Luijten (Protocolist)*
- Absent with notice:* *E. van der Veer (Student), Dr. B. Manthey (Staff)*
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1. Opening

The chairman opens the meeting at 15.47.

20 2. Minutes 193rd meeting 19 November 2024

1. Official minutes

- Page 3: Line 102: master evaluation
 Line 114: Book is costly, not used, but called mandatory on Osiris
- 25 Page 5: Line 174: Croho label of program in national registration system
 Line 211: in the scheduled meeting with the information specialist.

2. Draft internal version

With these changes the minutes are approved.

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Action points:

- 488: *Can be removed from the list*
There will be a meeting where the PD and the chair start up the up mid-term review. They will have to meet regularly to discuss the progress.
- 505A: *Stays on the list*
- 508: *Stays on the list*
- 511: *Can be removed from the list*
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3. Announcements/ incoming mail

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1. *Succession of PC-AM student member Lanting*
Abacus will contact all bachelor students in order to invite candidates for the succession of our student member Lanting. The current PC student members will also discuss amongst themselves and suitable candidates will be encouraged to present themselves to the committee. Lanting will send an email that Leering will send to the students. The M-coordinator will make a Canvas announcement.
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2. *From PD: asking advice on M11 SACS elective "Model Reduction"*
Action Point (Chairman): Give a positive advice on the SACS elective "Model Reduction".
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3. *From PD: asking advice on M11 MDS elective "Mathematics behind Data-Driven Methods"*
The PC asks that both boxes are left empty for instructional modes which are not part of the course in the first place.
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Action Point (Chairman): Write positive advice on the MDS election "Mathematics behind Data-Driven Methods" under the said condition.
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4. *BSA on hold*
In previous years, students were allowed to wait for their results in the second module before making a decision on whether or not they would continue with their studies without affecting the BSA decision. There are legal objections to this procedure and the existence of this process was not communicated well to the students. It is recommended that the deadline to de-enrolling is moved to March 1st instead of February 1st. If a student de-enrols between February and March this year, the BSA will be postponed to next year to treat all students fairly. This will be communicated to the first year students.
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5. *How are the current first years doing?*
The predicted BSA recommendations are:
Positive BSA: 61%
Negative BSA: 30%
Postponed BSA: 9%
This is a positive development in comparison to last year.
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 6. *Current status of the (still open) application process for the AM programme*
There are 31 applications so far. This is similar to last year. There are fewer Dutch students from this region and more from the West of the NL.

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7. *Beethoven Initiative*

85 The bachelor AM is now formally linked to the incentive.

4. **Update Information Specialist wrt Literature Research**

90 The PD initiated a meeting with the information specialist. The meeting was held and all parties agreed to couple the literature assignment to Q4. There will be one session of two hours around the fourth week, and a small individual assignment. The signature line for the Information Specialist will be removed from the Graduation Form. This will go into effect this year. The M-coordinator will check in halfway through Q3 concerning the required preparation.

95 Before Q4, the program management will send the PC-AM a proposal for a corresponding change of both Pioneers of Applied Mathematics and the Final Project since the learning goals are affected by the aforementioned changes. There will be a transition period as some students have already followed Pioneers. The registrars are coordinating this with the Information Specialist. This resolves the long-standing criticism of the PC-AM on the academic quality and administrative execution of the Literature Research requirement by the PC-AM.

5. **Advice / correspondence**

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1. Advice on M11 MOR elective "Topics in Sequential Decision Making"
 2. Advice on proposed changes in Analysis 1 and 2
- No comments

6. **Bachelor evaluations**

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1. *M5 Statistics and Analysis*
No comments

2. *M1 Structures and models*

115 **Action point (Chair):** Ask the registrar to add the minutes of the panel meeting of M1 and M5 to the documents for next meeting.

120 There is a discussion regarding the response rate of students. The conclusion is that programme management should remind students to fill in the evaluation in the Introduction session of the following module.

7. **Minutes Master Evaluation Lunch Q1 on 13 November 2024**

125 The most negative comment was that students missed clear guidance concerning the internship. In particular, there is uncertainty on how to approach obtaining and signing up for an internship. The respective research group chair should play a large role here to support the students. In most groups, there is a specific member of staff attached to

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each student. We would like students to go to a chair and discuss their course program. This should be communicated clearly at the master Kick-In.

8. Mastermath

130 Lanting suggests to programme management to create a short list of courses that might be interesting for each specialization and add it to the existing table on Canvas.

9. AOB / Questions before closing the meeting

135 The PC-AM would like to see the documents a bit earlier. They will be send earlier and late documents will be added when they arrive.

10. Closure

The chairman closes the meeting at 16:54.

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Next meeting: 14 January 2025

Nr	Description	Meeting	Responsible
488	Have a conversation about the midterm accreditation with PC-AM chair.	26/01/2024	PD
505A	Talk to the chairs of OR and Data Science to discuss if Machine Learning can be removed as an elective.	19/11/2024	Interim-PD & M-coordinator
508	Write the annual report.	10/09/2024	Chairman
513	Give a positive advice on the SACS elective "Model Reduction".	14/01/2025	Chairman
514	Write positive advice on the MDS election "Mathematics behind Data-Driven Methods" with the condition.	14/01/2025	Chairman
515	Ask the registrar to add the minutes of the panel meeting of M1 and M5 to the documents for next meeting.	14/01/2025	Chairman

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