UID School Meeting - December 2014

Participants: 11 staff, 10 BFA, 1 APD, 5 IxD, 1 TD, 3 IDI, 0 PhD students, 0 SSC

UID staff changes and recruitments

David Risberg will replace Lars Isaksson during his leave of absence. Lars Byström employment will be increased to 75 % instead of 50 %. Linda Bresäter will be substitute for a teacher in service design during the ongoing recruitment process. Marije de Haas is going away and will be back in March. Peter Lundholm will be on parental leave on Mondays and Fridays (working Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays). We are also continuing to talk to the faculty about more teacher recruitments.

Work environment, order and neatness

Maria and Catharina Henje (work environment representative) are evaluating our physical working environment in the building. They might come back to certain persons if necessary. Please give an extra thought to the cleaning staff by removing things from the floors. In the studios there is a lot of things on the floors right now. Please give suggestions to Maria or student representative if you have any ideas for storing. There have been complaints of the ventilation, a lot of things on the floor will make the air even worse since there are not possible to clean properly and dust will gather. If you need help put in a service request in Sysaid.

Question from student: Where to store prototypes? There needs to be a dialogue with each program responsible. But there is not possible to store models in storage since students are working with them all the time. We try to help each other find a good system. Maybe a shelf system in the studios? Same goes for the digital space, for example class folders. What should be saved and what should be thrown away?

There will be a lift installed in the aula up to the stage.

What will happen with old IxD-labb? The plan is to make a computer lab. If this is not done during spring semester we can use it as a project room.

Christmas cleaning

A container will be order for cleaning up, probably during week 50. You will get more information when it will arrive.

Arts Camups Library

Umeå Arts Campus's library is a branch library for design, art and architecture. Lotta and Lenita are you contact persons in the library and are happy to help you out with everything from printed books to e-databases and e-resources. The new Umu-card also contains library card. Put your card on the reader and put in our pincode. If you haven't used it yet talk to the librarians to update your profile so you can make a request for a certain book.

Through www.ub.umu.se/en you get access to the library online. Important to choose UAC (Umeå Art Campus). On the website you can make a request on a book from other libraries at Umu Campus and order them to UAC.

New service in the library for student with reading or writing difficulties. From January 2015 a special computer will be installed at the library.

Through the library you get access to many databases, of which two specifically of interest for students at the Arts Campus were presented at the school meeting. The library databases is found on the library website (se address above) and click on "Articles and Databases"

Material ConneXion This unique online resource focusing on materials and material research permits searches by keyword or browse by category, process, sustainability, usage, or property. Information on the materials includes descriptions, manufacturing information, and basic properties, as well as high-quality photographs and company/vendor contact information. There are currently over 7000 samples in the database, including: polymers, naturals, metals, glass, ceramics, process, cement-based, and carbon-based. As part of the database service, physical samples of materials will also be sent to the library on a regular basis. Right now UAC have 60 different materials, you'll find them in the library.

http://www.ub.umu.se/sok/artiklar-databaser/material-connexion

To be able to use Material ConneXion you have to register with your Umeå University email and it can be reached from home as well. You can create a personal account, where you save your search. Use Firefox for best results.

WGSN

WGSN is a database for trend spotting and analysis. It is what's used in industry for forecasts. Through the database you find analysis of future design trends, consumer forecasts, future scenarios, future design thinking, information about new materials, trends in sports etc. You also find a city by city guide with trends in different cities and regions around the world. You can log in from home but need you CAS. If you login you will be able to save your search results. They also offer an image library which is free to use (> 10 000 pictures).

http://www.ub.umu.se/sok/artiklar-databaser/

You can also suggest which books the library should purchase: www.ub.umu.se/en/borrow/book-purchase

Introduction to the Student Portal (tips and tricks)

You will reach Portalen via umu.se-> students->Portalen

Use your cas-id to sign in.

Put in your primary e-mail address:

Choose e-post. Here you have three options, use Microsoft, Google e-mail or choose e-mail settings. If you choose e-mail settings choose primary e-mail address (better then forwarding e-mails). Inform Peder and Birgitta Sundberg that your address is updated.

If you'd like an alternative e-mail address you can register one in Portalen. If password is lost it will be sent to alternative e-mail.

Other

Thursday 4th of December Carl Håkan Norberg will be making a film about UID (30 sekonds). If you have suggestions about what to film talk to program director or Petra Käck.

Wednesday lecture is today held by Skogstekniska Klustret.

Next school meeting: January 7, at 13.00 in the Auditorium

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