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eLIFE – news on life at LIFE

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The online newsletter may be subject to editorial changes.

As regards links in the newsletter, please refer to the Danish online version at the faculty's website http://www.life.ku.dk/Maalgruppe/medarbejdere/life_internt/nyhedsbrev.aspx

Gudrun Lau Bjerno, Editor, LIFE Communications, glb@life.ku.dk

Life at LIFE

Qualified recruitment freeze and spending limits etc. in 2010

Rector Ralf Hemmingsen and University Director Jørgen Honoré sent out a letter on 9 April 2010 to all deans and heads of department at the University announcing the introduction of special guidelines to ensure that the 2010 budget is met.
The special guidelines take immediate effect and include:

- Qualified recruitment freeze
- Qualified spending limits
- Extraordinary restraint

Dean Per Holten-Andersen and Faculty Director Søren Hartz have written a letter explaining how the general guidelines are to be implemented at LIFE by the heads of department.
***Gudrun Lau Bjerno**, glb@life.ku.dk – latest update 21 April 2010*

Announcements

How much blood did LIFE donate in 2009?

The Mobile Blood Bank visits LIFE several times a year, and in 2009, 396 bags of blood were donated. An average of 44 employees/students donated blood per visit.
670 are registered as blood donors at LIFE. Of them, 272 donated in 2009 – 60 per cent women and 31 per cent men.
It would be nice if we could continue to produce such nice results in both 2010 and 2011.

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DHL Relay 2010 – Monday 30 August 2010, 6 pm in Fælledparken

The University is participating in the DHL Relay on Monday, 30 August 2010 at 6 pm. Please contact the team captain at your department or unit, or talk with your colleagues about forming a team.

Registration fee: The price for participation in the 2010 DHL Relay Race is:
- DKK 60 for members of the LIFE staff association
- DKK 120 for non-members of the LIFE staff association

For more information, please contact Gabino Casas Casanova at the Department of Human Nutrition, Rolighedsvej 30, 1st floor – Secretariat.

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Education

Open house on MSc study programmes at LIFE

LIFE is hosting an open house event for the MSc programmes on Friday 23 April 2010.

All MSc programmes will be represented, and the directors of studies and students will be present to talk about their programmes and answer any questions you might have.

The event will take place on Friday 23 April in the Marble Hall and Vandrehallen at 12 noon-4 pm.

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Staff news

Farewell reception for Erik Christensen

The Library's beloved IT officer of many years, Erik Christensen, is taking early retirement. There will be a farewell reception, organised by the Library, on Thursday 27 May at 2.30-4 pm in the Library lunch room at Dyrlægevej 10.
We hope to see many of Erik's colleagues and collaboration partners at the reception.

Marianne Grützmeier, Assistant Head of Department

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Arne Astrup ranked 5th in the world

In their latest survey of international obesity research, ScienceWatch, Thomson Reuters has ranked Professor Arne Astrup, DrMedSc, Department of Human Nutrition, the 5th most productive obesity researcher in the world out of more than 172,000. In addition, Denmark is ranked the 15th most productive country in the world when it comes to obesity research, only surpassed by much larger countries like Brazil, the USA and Japan.

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Inaugural lecture: Professor Richard Ipsen, Wednesday 12 May

Richard Ipsen has been appointed Professor with special responsibilities in Food Structure Engineering at the Department of Food Science.
Richard Ipsen will give his inaugural lecture, entitled 'Structural Engineering of Dairy Products – from molecular interactions to final quality', on Wednesday 12 May 2010 at 2 pm in the main lecture hall (aud. 1.01), Bülowsvej 17, followed by a reception in the Marble Hall, Thorvaldsensvej 40.

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Research

Danish researcher part of an elite team

Former University of Copenhagen Professor Henrik Scheller has joined forces with the global elite in bioenergy and started a new research centre in California with significant support from the US government. The ambitious objective is to develop the liquid fuel of the future.
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Grants

The Ena Borchsenius scholarship for students of veterinary medicine

A grant from the above mentioned scholarship of DKK 90,000 is available for distribution.

The aim of the grant is to support the studies of worthy, needy students of veterinary medicine at the Faculty of

Life Sciences/University of Copenhagen, primarily students from provincial towns.

The application form is available on scholarship website http://www.life.ku.dk/uddannelse/studerende/su_og_legater/legater.aspx and must be submitted to the Faculty of Life Sciences, Study and Students' Affairs, I-Sek, Bülowsvej 17, DK-1870 Frederiksberg C, by 25 May 2010, at the latest.

In order to assess whether the applicants meet the terms of the grant, the application must be accompanied by a copy of the applicant's transcripts, including grades, as well as the applicant's most recent annual tax statement from SKAT. Furthermore, the application must state the applicant's home town, any other scholarships received and similar information.

Applications that do not meet the terms of the grant, that do not include the enclosures stated here or that are received after the deadline will not be considered.

Grant recipients will be notified directly. Letters of rejection will not be sent, but the awarding of the grant will be announced in eLIFE. The grant is expected to be awarded in early July 2010.

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Det Neergaardske Legat til Veterinærvidenskabens Fremme – application deadline: 21 May

Applications are invited from veterinary science students, who have earned extremely high scores on their veterinary science exam.

According to the terms and conditions of the grant, applicants should preferably come from "a practicing veterinary surgeon or farmer in the country who is not affluent" or who has otherwise "grown up in the country" and who "displayed a high degree of interest in and talent for animal husbandry and agriculture from an early age".

DKK 70,000 is available for allocation in small portions.

Applications for the grant must use the applications forms that are available on the Faculty website – http://www.life.ku.dk/uddannelse/studerende/su_og_legater/legater.aspx – and must be signed and sent to:

Faculty of Life Sciences
Study and Students' Affairs, I-Sek
Bülowsvej 17
1870 Frederiksberg C, Denmark

Mark the envelope: Det Neergaardske Legat til Veterinærvidenskabens Fremme

The application must be submitted by 21 May 2010, at the latest.

Applications without the relevant information, including enclosures, or applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

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Research funds etc.

See the updated information on the Research & Information website.