

Modtager(e): HE Erhvervsudvalg/fakultetsledelse

Honorary advisor to the Faculty (HAF)

Overall scope:

The faculty wishes to strengthen innovation and entrepreneurship and expand collaboration with life science and health technology enterprises.

Background:

Many faculty members have close collaborative ties with experts in R&D from the life science industry and other private companies and wish to affiliate these experts to the faculty. The intention typically includes a wish to gain access to 1) advice on start-up - and entrepreneurial initiatives, or 2) private sector insights, or 3) collaboration with researchers in R&D with regard to internship, supervision of pre- and postgraduate students in specific research projects and two-way mobility.

In addition, the Faculty management would benefit from a closer and more formalised affiliation of key leadership profiles from the life science industry and other private companies.

As a mean of facilitating these contacts, we seek to establish a procedure to affiliate HAFs with unique expertises and knowledge on R&D or strategic leadership.

Process for affiliating HAFs to Health:

1. Professors and associate professors or members of the faculty leadership (local sponsor) can propose candidates for HAD. If more than one faculty member writes the proposal, the local sponsor should be indicated. The head of department approves the proposal.
2. The affiliation can be for up to three years and can be prolonged upon re-proposal as described below.
3. The proposal includes:
 - A specific description of how the HAF will engage with the faculty



- A description of how the HAF will strengthen research, teaching or innovation efforts at the faculty
 - A full CV from proposed HAF
 - An approval by the department head
 - A statement from the proposed HAF
 - Full contact information of the HAF
4. The proposal is evaluated by "the committee for external relations" ("Erhvervsforum") headed by the vice Dean for talent and external relations. The evaluation addresses the following:
- How the HAFs qualifications and experience support Health's ambition to strengthen innovation, entrepreneurship and collaboration with life science and health technology enterprises
 - The commitment of the local sponsor
 - The added value to the faculty of the proposed activities
5. The final decision is made by the dean following a discussion with the members of the "dean's office".
6. To acknowledge the contribution of HAFs they will:
- Receive a diploma from AU, Health
 - Be invited to participate in the yearly matchmaking event, MID-day and a "HAF seminar" every second year with the HAFs as honoured guests together with the local sponsors. The event is sponsored by the faculty and includes presentations and a festive dinner
 - Receive personal information about relevant events, relevant calls and other strategic initiatives at Health

Conditions:

- HAF is an honourable title and will not be a paid position.
- The affiliation can be for up to 3 years and can be extended upon renewed application.
- The affiliation is "at Will" and can be terminated by the HAD or Health at any time. This should be done in writing.
- HAF can co-supervise bachelor-, master- and PhD-students and post docs
- Involvement in scientific or entrepreneurial collaborations with AU researchers follow standard rule for external collaborations.
- If the HAF chooses to use the title to promote his/her collaboration with AU in other relations, the HAF is expected to adhere to Health's guidelines for Responsible Conduct of Research.

Administration:

The proposal should be sent to the vice Dean for external relations who will keep a file on the HAF and proposed HAFs, oversee contacts and correspondence with local sponsors and HAFs, production of diplomas and a 2-yearly seminar.

The initiative could commence summer 2019

Health should thrive for gender equality and include international HAF
The initiative should run for 3 years
An evaluation is performed after 2 years (2021)