

# Mandate for the Research Committee

NHH

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21.09.22	Vice Rector for Research



The Research Committee is an advisory committee for the Vice Rector for Research in matters or cases of a research policy/strategic nature, and for matters pertaining to the PhD programme and the quality assurance of this programme.

The Vice Rector has power of decision in the areas on which the Research Committee provides advice, unless the decision is to be made by the NHH's management team and/or the Board itself. The Vice Rector for Research is responsible for communicating decisions to relevant target groups, including the members of the Research Committee.

## Mandate

The Research Committee shall:

- give advice in cases of an overarching, strategic and principled nature, and when decisions regarding such cases are to be made in the research field and in relation to the PhD programme
- contribute to developing NHH as a research institution, including the PhD programme, take the initiative to and encourage development work in accordance with the Board's strategic guidelines, stipulated goals and framework as described in central governing documents (strategy plans, budgets, reports to the Ministry of Education and Research etc.)
- give advice on the PhD programme, including quality measures, and contribute to ensuring that the programme is academically and educationally adapted so that it meets the current and future needs of research and society at large in the best possible way
- ensure a comprehensive and good flow of information in order to promote transparency and give the employees the best possible basis for understanding the advice provided and subsequent decisions made.

## Composition

The Research Committee is chaired by the Vice Rector for Research. The Committee has the following representatives with personal deputy representatives:

- The Vice Rector for Research (appointed by the Board)
- One representative from each department (appointed by the departments)
- The Head of the Office of Research Administration
- Two PhD candidates

The term of office is normally four years for the department representatives, while the PhD candidates are appointed for a term of two years. The administrative members of the Committee are the persons holding the positions at all times.

The Vice Rector for Research may appoint permanent observers from the administrative units, NHHS or other institutions in the NHH group.

## **Work methods**

The Committee shall function as a joint forum for NHH's various academic environments, where they can provide mutual information about ongoing and planned research activities and about the PhD programme, and discuss research and dissemination priorities and measures.

The Committee normally meets two or three times per semester, and the committee members must expect to participate in (ad hoc) working groups as needed outside ordinary meetings.

The Office of Research Administration performs the secretarial function for the Committee. This includes, in addition to facilitating the Committee's work, preparing reports and actively following up planned and initiated activities. The agenda and minutes will be sent to the committee members one week before the meeting.