Written Exam for the B.Sc. or M.Sc. in Economics summer 2011

Economics of Welfare Final Exam/ Elective Course/ Master's Course

12 August 2011 10.00 o'clock to 13 August 2011 14.00 o'clock

Please note that the language used in your exam paper must correspond to the language of the title for which you registered during exam registration. I.e. if you registered for the English title of the course, you must write your exam paper in English. Likewise, if you registered for the Danish title of the course or if you registered for the English title which was followed by "eksamen på dansk" in brackets, you must write your exam paper in Danish.

If you are in doubt about which title you registered for, please see the print of your exam registration from the students' self-service system.

The paper must be uploaded as <u>one PDF document</u> (including the standard cover and the appendices). The PDF document must be named with exam number only (e.g. '1234.pdf') and uploaded to Absalon.

Focus on Exam Cheating

In case of presumed exam cheating, which is observed by either the examination registration of the respective study programmes, the invigilation or the course lecturer, the Head of Studies will make a preliminary inquiry into the matter, requesting a statement from the course lecturer and possibly the invigilation, too. Furthermore, the Head of Studies will interview the student. If the Head of Studies finds that there are reasonable grounds to suspect exam cheating, the issue will be reported to the Rector. In the course of the study and during examinations, the student is expected to conform to the rules and regulations governing academic integrity. Academic dishonesty includes falsification, plagiarism, failure to disclose information, and any other kind of misrepresentation of the student's own performance and results or assisting another student herewith. For example failure to indicate sources in written assignments is regarded as failure to disclose information. Attempts to cheat at examinations are dealt with in the same manner as exam cheating which has been carried through. In case of exam cheating, the following sanctions may be imposed by the Rector:

- 1. A warning
- 2. Expulsion from the examination
- 3. Suspension from the University for at limited period or permanent expulsion.

The Faculty of Social Sciences
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Exam:

The exam is a 28 hour take home exam. The subject is publicized on the Copenhagen University homepage. The exam paper may not exceed ten (10) pages and maximum one page annex.

It is mandatory to fill out the front pages. Remember to provide your exam paper with exam number – do not use your social security number or name. These should never appear on your exam papers.

The exam should be written individually and cannot be done in groups - and all questions must be answered. Please mark clearly in the text, what you submit as main text and what you submit as an annex.

Please observe the University rules related to plagiarism. It is strictly forbidden to copy any kind of text without making proper and clear references. Failure to comply with the rules is dealt with according to the University Disciplinary Regulations, involving expulsions.

Exam question 1

Please provide a comparative analysis of inequality in Denmark in relation to major OECD countries. The analysis should also include explanations of key trends in inequality since the mid-1990s.

Exam question 2

Discuss the social and economic impact in Denmark of the abolition of corporate tax deductibility of their expenses for health insurance to their employees.

Question 1 is the main issue and is likely to constitute 2 / 3 of the total exam paper. Questions 2 are the bi issue and are expected to be 1 / 3 of the total response.