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# Annual summary of the results of the written final evaluation of courses and projects at ICT Engineering

Final evaluation of courses and semester projects on first and second semester have been carried out in the spring 2015 according to a fixed rotation plan.

### **1** Overview of evaluated courses and response rates

Below is an overview of the evaluated courses and the response rate.

Course code	Course title	Semester
CSE I1	Communication Skills for Engineers	1. semester
LRL I1	Lego Robot Lab	1. semester
RWD I1	Responsive Webdesign	1. semester
SDJ I1	Software Development with UML & Java	1. semester
APJ I1	Applied Java Programming	2. semester
CON I1	Computer Networking	2. semester
RDB 11	Relational Databases	2. semester
SDJ 12	Software Development with UML & Java	2. semester

The response rate is generally above 60 %.

### 2 Main results of the final evaluation

The main results from the final evaluation deals with the work distribution on the semesters and between the semesters. The balance between theory and practice is also mentioned as an important topic in the evaluations.

## 3 Launched actions based on final evaluations

Below is an overview of the launched actions.

Focus	Status	Goal	Launched actions	Sche- dule	Respon- sible
Study techniques at 1. semester	The students find it difficult to find necessary information and to work independently.	To make information more available for the students.	Links to extra material at study net available. Accessibility to individual tasks and assignments.	Autumn semester 2015	First semester lecturers
Balance between lessons in Java og JavaScript	Students find Java difficult.	To facilitate the introduction to the many new concepts	Adjust the use of Java- Script in RWD I1 and focus on jQuery instead.	Autumn semester 2015	RWD I1 lecturers
Student assistance	Help from student assistants are in demand, especially at the SDJI1 course	To increase the learning outcome from exercises.	Student-to-student help is preferred and emphasis will be put on this subject at meetings with the students.	2015	Head of programme
Work distribu- tion and work- load on 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	Too much work in the end of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester.	To level out the workload on 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester.	Maintain and increase coordination between the lecturers. Assignment plan available for the stu- dents in the 4th week of the semester at the latest.	Ongoing	Lecturers at 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester
Theory/exercise balance	The students ask for more exercises and practical work.	A better balance between theory and practise	A continuous evaluation of the balance between theory and exercises is conducted in each course.	Ongoing	Lecturers
Practical teach- ing approach	The students ask for more practical issues and cooperation with companies	An increased cooperation with the business area.	External lecturer presentations and company visits are considered. Redesign of some of the exercises.	Ongoing	Lecturers and Head of Programme
Connection between 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	The workload seem to be extensive higher on 2 <sup>nd</sup> se- mester compared to 1 <sup>st</sup> semester.	To level out the differences between the two semesters	Earlier information about 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester. Maintain focus on the connection between courses and semesters.	Ongoing	Lecturers and Head of Programme