School meeting, 2015-09-02

The organisation of Umeå University and Umeå Institute of Design

Niklas Andersson, programme director for IxD and deputy rector of education, is telling us about the organisation of Umeå University and UID.

Umeå University is headed by the vice chancellor (Lena Gustafsson) and divided into different faculties. UID is a part of the Faculty of Science and Technology and the only institution at the faculty with artistic ground. Åsa Rasmuson-Lestander is the dean of the faculty and the boss of Johan Redström, Rector of UID. Some decisions are taken by the vice chancellor, some at a faculty level and some at a departmental level.

At UID there are councils (education council, collaboration council, research council and EHS) that are preparing errands for decision making. Under these councils there’s also work groups. Students are represented in all councils and work groups we have (elections by Ställverket).

Information from Ställverket

Lene Rydnningen and Justyna Fryczak are telling us about Ställverket, the student union of UID. To be engaged in Ställverket is a very good way of getting to know the other students and staff and being in the middle of the spider web. You get to engage in topics that you are interested in and it’s a good way to influence the direction of the school. You can engage in a lot of different things, some examples are

- UmU Vice Chancellor: Lena Gustafsson
- Dean of Faculty of Science & Technology: Åsa Rasmuson-Lestander
- Rector at UID: Johan Redström
- Vice-Rector: Maria Göransdotter
- Pro Vice-Chancellor for Education: Anders Fällström
- Deputy Rector for Collaboration: Demian Horst
- Deputy Rector for Subject Development: Monika Lind Karlsson
- Deputy Rector for Education: Niklas Andersson
- Education Council
- Research Council
- Collaboration Council
- EHS
to arrange parties, discuss strategic issues or equality issues. It’s a very interesting input in your everyday life and you also learn some ‘rules’ about the formality of meetings. Ställverket will have a meeting and elect members in about 2 weeks, please show up! Even if you aren’t interested to be a part of a group it’s important to vote!

About the student kitchen- It’s important that we manage to keep the kitchen tidy and clean. We have to help eachother. Clean before you leave! There will be cleaning schedules (and information about obligations) on the door in the kitchen starting next week. Each programme has a color assigned for their kitchen utensils.

Wozzup- Is the student paper. We need volunteers that are interested in contributing, it can be as editors or as graphic designers. And no experience needed! You can also tip the students working with Wozzup about articles you find interesting, or send nice pictures. #lifeatUID

**David Risberg, information from the workshop**

The place where to throw hazardous waste has been moved into one of the cupboards because of the need for ventilation. We should keep the workshop nice and tidy (all benches clear from material) to prevent the dust. In the end of the day; pick everything up and put away your models.

**Waste and alarms**

Titti Henje is telling us about how to separate the waste. For starters, remember to tie up all the cables so the cleaning staff are able to clean properly (we will provide you with ‘plastic clips’, you will find them in the studios and in the workshop).

- Throw post-its into burnable things since it’s glue on them
- Bins for glass in the atrium
- Information about to separate the waste in the workshop

The school is open Monday-Friday, 8, 00-17,00 and your things aren’t ensured through school (when all students have their UmU-cards we will start to lock the studios).

Titti is showing us pictures of which handle we can pull so the alarm won’t go off. Don’t use the green emergency handle, it will cost the school a lot of money!

**Stipends**

Apply for Michael Treschows stipend, last day to apply is September 30!

To be able to apply you are a design student with a Bachelor’s degree planning to start (or have started) a master’s programme in design.

Michael Treschow stipend

**Other**

On Thursday morning (September 3) you will take your picture in the Photo booth for the website. You can also go up to main Campus since they are arranging a welcome day.

Finally some wise words from Monica Lindh-Karlsson:
It is a lot of to do’s, but it is important to remember that this place is all about commitment, engagement and passion. We can all contribute, get involved and influence the school!