Universitat de Lleida









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  - 'Legal procedures'

Faculty/Higher School

Evaluation Agency for Quality/ Ministry of Education







## Committee of study program elaboration

- Normally, there are two Committees:
  - Working group for study program elaboration
  - 'Official' Committee for modifying/proposing new study programs







Working group for the study program elaboration

- They are the responsible for the elaboration of a new proposal
- It is formed for some members of Board Team, normally the Dean and the Vice-Dean for Academic Planning, and some representatives of Departments/Areas of knowledge included in the study programme
  Example: For Agricultural Engineering degree, working group were formed by the Vice-Dean for Academic Planning, one representative of each area: Animal Production, Crop Production, Environmental Science, Food Technology Horticulture and Fruit Crops, Machinery and Rural Engineering







## The Committee for proposing new study programs

- The Committee revises the new study program proposal elaborated by the working group
- The University established the composition of Committee.
- Example: for existing Bachelor's degrees, the Committee was formed by the Dean, the Vice-Dean for Academic Planning, the Heads of the Departments, two students, two representatives of professional sector (non academic sector) and also the members of working group.







- Process of study program elaboration
  - 1. Definition of Competences from Learning outcomes
  - 2. Establishment of modules comprised in the Study program
  - 3. Division of modules in subjects
  - 4. Division of subjects in courses
  - 5. Distribution of competences among modules, subjects and courses







Approval of study program by the Faculty/Higher School

- Once the Committee has approved the proposed Bachelor study program, the proposal is sent to the Departments and then, to the staff.
- Academic and support staff, individually or grouped (i.e., a Department) can present an amendment. All proposed rectifications are studied by the Committee.
- Once the Committee has decided, the new proposal is sent again to the staff through the Departments
- Finally, the new study program has to be approved by 'Junta de Escuela', where everybody can vote the new degree.







## Legal procedures

- Once the new degree has been approved by the Faculty, the 'Government Council' of the University has to approved them also.
- After the Rector and the Government Council approval, the new degree is sent to the AQU (Catalan Quality Agency).
- A memory is needed (not only study program, also justification, objectives, material and human resources ...)







- After the external evaluation, some suggestion can be sent to the Faculty. In some cases additional information is required or even some changes are compulsory for the proposal approval.
- Legal procedure has a duration of a year more o less. September is the month when new degrees are presented to AQU. Normally, the final decision arrives around May-June.
- If the new study program is accepted (Verification), the new degree will start next September.







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