**Master’s thesis @ BiRC**

Before you start your thesis, you must make a thesis contract. The thesis contract must be completed and approved by **January 15** (or **August 15**) depending on whether you started your studies in summer or winter. You can read about how to submit the contract on <https://studerende.au.dk/en/studies/subject-portals/bioinformatics/masters-thesis/masters-thesis/>. As part of the thesis contract, you must attach a pdf file containing project description, project goals, activity plan, and supervision plan using the below template. See <http://birc.au.dk/studies/masters-thesis/>for more information.

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| Student ID | 20xxxxxx |
| Student name |  |
| Group members |  |
| Supervisor |  |
| Project title |  |

**Problem statement / project description:**

10-20 lines describing the overall aim of the project. Make it clear what the objectives are, e.g. analyse data sets, implement an algorithm, develop or use theory. Remember that the project should amount to 30 ECTS of work (for each group member). **Think of the text as how you would explain your project and its objectives to others.**

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**Problem statement / project goals:**

A brief and clear presentation of what you should be able do to after the project. Formulated as 5-7 items, e.g.:

- The student should be able to describe ...

- The student should be able to implement ...

- The student should be able to analyse ...

- The student should be able to discuss ...

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**Think of these items as what you and your project will be evaluated by at the exam.**

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**Activity plan:**

10-20 lines describing the overall timeline of your project activities, e.g. formulated bi-weekly milestones. **Think of the text as how you plan to do the project outline in the problem statement.**

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**Supervision plan:**

A few lines describing the overall structure of your supervision as agreed upon together with your supervisor, e.g. “We plan bi-weekly meetings of ~45 minutes. Specific questions to be addressed at the meeting must be e-mailed to the supervisor at least a day before the meeting in order to give proper time for preparation.”. **Think of the text as an alignment of expectations between you and your supervisor.**

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