

Monday meeting Department of Geological Sciences (IGV) 7th September 2026

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General SU, Geo-section

- **Rektor visit to IGV:** Monday 14th September, Hans Adolfsson, professor i metallorganisk-Monday 14th September
- **Prefekt meeting** -Tuesday 15^h September
- Bolin Centre Board meeting: 9th September
- **CPG board meeting October 10th:** first official board meeting since the CPG moves to an adjusted steering set up, with an official board and a director, rather than just a steering group.

IGV news

- **IGV Board meetings: Oct, wed 14th Dec, wed 9th**
- **2026/2027 Salary Review:** The annual salary review process is ongoing.
- **Development Talks:** are underway.
- **Election: New IGV Board.** Election of a new IGV styrelsen (board) must be completed in the coming months. The process is managed by the Prefekt and head of administration and will involve an official election process following SU regulations. It will be an electronic voting system. The new board will take office for a period of 3 years starting from Jan 2027. Information will come soon about the process from Viktoria Arwinge. This part of the election only concerns TA, lecturers and researchers. PhD students keep their representatives. Their representation on the board is handled in a separate process external to IGV.
- **IGV Education Council meeting:** 16th September
- **Strategic recruitment opportunity (VR-BUL):** Working with the Geology Group, IGV submitted a nomination to SU's internal selection process for the VR's latest Strategic Recruitment of Associate Professors (VR-BUL) program in late spring. The candidate nominated demonstrates excellence in igneous petrology and critical mineral systems at an early career stage, making him a strategic fit for IGV's research and teaching in mineral resources, the green energy transition and SU societal goals. I am pleased to announce that our candidate, was selected by faculty (one of 4) across the whole university) to go forward in the VR level competition. Will submit a full proposal in the special VR call (closes 15 Sept).
- **Strategic recruitment opportunity (Sci Life Lab-round 2):** LFN-1 for this process happened on Friday 28th August. This time no IGV-relevant candidates were ranked to be interviewed. This strategic opportunity is likely now closed for IGV. NG, ACES and ZOO remain with candidates invited for interview.
- **Strategic recruitment opportunity (Sci Polar BUL)- Polar data driven Science:** This is a new SFO in which IGV members have played a significant role in designing and promoting (although waiting for a final government decision). IGV will participate, with the chance to have a new Assistant prof. with 5 years financial support. Any recruitment will align with IGV teaching, research and long term staffing strategies.
- **Recruitment of a new economist.** The announcement is now closed. The applicants have been ranked and 3 candidates will be interviewed in the coming weeks. Was approved by the board in June.
- **Recruitment of a Geological Sciences Teaching Coordinator:** The job profile is complete. It is going through the final checks for consistency with SU regulations and will be open for application soon in the SU recruitment system. Was approved by the board in June.
- **Work place safety:**
 - Lab engineers and Joakim, managing updating of lab safety regulations, IGV crisis plan
 - Risk assessments. The vice prefekt sent information about this. Please submit a risk assessment prior to fieldwork and excursions through the IGV system.

Teaching

- **Det började full fart!** Elisabeth and many teachers are working hard to meet and greet new students while teachers are handling record numbers of onsite students.

- **All 2026 student intake numbers: student numbers admitted to onsite IGV programs:**
-6 Marine Geoscience, 33 Geoscience shared program
- **Geological Sciences course GG2010:** Total: 66 admitted students
- **Supporting a student with special hearing needs in the Marine Geoscience program:** work on-going to better equip William Olssen with new microphones/better speakers. Teachers must work with sign language interpreters in the class and plan for inclusion in field excursions and labs, also ensure their teaching materials are available to the interpreters in advance. This takes planning and coordination but is working well and the student I hear is quite happy with the set up. Thanks all for your support.
- **Distance teaching:** student numbers have also increased
- **New teaching webplatform CANVAS now in full use.** Teachers: you must have your site up and running 1 month before your course starts.
- **Note to teachers on AI use:** Information has been emailed about AI use in studies at SU. Students may use AI tools to support their learning, but remain responsible for submitted work & must disclose AI use; individual courses may set additional requirements, with violations handled under SU's academic misconduct procedures.
- **CeUL workshops and courses.** Check out their courses for HT26 and VT27. CeUL = Centrum för universitetslärarutbildning — Centre for the Advancement of University Teaching (SU central support body that supports and develops university teaching and pedagogical competence across SU).
<https://www.su.se/enheter/centrum-for-universitetslararutbildning>

Other

- **A lot of feildwork happened or going on for research or teaching.**
-Arctic expeditions: Martin, Christoph, Christian, Matt, Richard, Rune, Flor, Robyn on Oden or other Arctic Ocean Expeditions (now or in August), Wei LI?
-Terrestrial feildwork, Malin, Iain, Uwe, Paola's groups
-Field teaching: Alasdair, Otto (help from Draupnir and Krister), coming up excursions by Malin, Richard, Pete, Christoph Du Praz.
- **Baltic Sea Centre photo competition:** Deadline for participation in the Photo competition 15th September
- **This year's window cleaning:** Geovetenskapshus- 21 Sept- 2 Oct.
- **Fire alarmtests** Week 38
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- **Geohus status inspection:** The SU contracted company Stockholm Bygg & Konsult AB will carry out an inspection of public/common areas as well as some labs and offices including, room 'climate', surfaces, windows. Week 41-42.
- **Park your bike for SEK 50 a month,** until the end of the year, in the bicycle parking facility at Södra parkeringen in Frescati or in the bicycle parking area in Albanogaraget. You can take out a subscription in the SmartPark app. Download the app if you have not already done so and select the cycle parking facility you wish to use. If you choose the cycle storage facility by Södra parkeringen, you can also charge your e-bike battery there. More info on the web.
- **Check out the News & Calendar tabs** on our website for more info. on ongoing events, courses etc.
- **Welcome new Staff:**
-Lucas Demaret postdoc of Christoph Du Praz