



Newsletter from the research profile CHILD, based at Jönköping University

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Photo: Karin Enskär
Tuesday December 8th

CHILD Agenda

December 10th, 1pm
Part time for Marie
Golsäter

December 15th
Big CHILD meeting,
Vadstena



Tobias Edbom has successfully defended his doctoral thesis

Tobias Edbom defended his Doctoral Thesis with the title "Self-esteem, sense of coherence and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder : A longitudinal study from childhood to adulthood" at Karolinska Institutet on Friday November 13th 2009.

[Download or order Tobias Edbom's Doctoral thesis here.](#)

First year with GEDS

The Global Education and Development Studies (GEDS) runs between 2008 and 2012 and aims to give students on advanced level (master and doctorate degree) a scholarship that enables them to spend half a year at either Vanderbilt University in Tennessee or at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, together with students from Porto University, Portugal and Ludwig Maximilians University, Germany. Students from the American universities have the opportunity to spend one semester at one of the European partner university. In all 24 European students from the partner universities will take part of the program. The scholarship covers travelling and expenses and amounts to 5000 Euro for a 4 month period.

GEDS is a concentration that is possible to integrate with a masterprogram or in doctoral studies. The program is built upon four modules:

- International Curriculum, 7.5hp
- Independent study, 7.5hp
- Field work, 7.5hp
- Language/culture course, 7.5hp

During fall 2009 Margareta Adolfsson doctoral student from the School of Education and Communication, Jönköping, is the first GEDS scholar placed at UNC at Chapel Hill. During 2010 HLK plans to send 3 students

GEDS is implemented under the grant agreement EU-US Cooperation programme in Higher Education and Vocational Training, Excellence in Mobility projects. It is part of the EU-US Atlantis Programme in cooperation between the European Commission and U.S. department of Education (FIPSE. See http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/extcoop/usa/index_en.htm

/Professor Eva Björck-Åkesson

Eva Björck-Åkesson, professor in Education with focus on Special Education, Dean of School of Education and Communication, Jönköping, is the European coordinator for GEDS

Stefan Nilsson is half the way to his Ph. D.



CHILD's forskare i fokus now updated

The page "CHILD's forskare i fokus" is now updated. You will now find lots of interesting links about some of our researchers.



Rune J Simeonsson's link tips



Rune J Simeonsson is Professor in Special needs education and is based at UNC Chapel Hill.

[Click here to find a Canadian example of a training program regarding ICF.](#)



Stefan Nilsson recently went through his part time. His research project focuses on how pain, distress, anxiety and fear can be reduced within procedures in child and youth care. Nilsson has studied non-pharmalogical methods, such as Virtual Reality and music. These cheap, simple methods, which have been little used and poorly evaluated.

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2	Mild Pain (10 dibet fante)
1	
0	No Pain (10 dibet)

Within his project one article has been published and two have been accepted: "The use of Virtual Reality for needle-related procedural pain and distress in children and adolescents in a paediatric oncology unit" was published in *European Journal of Oncology Nursing*, 13(2), "School-aged children's experiences of postoperative music medicine on pain, distress and anxiety." was accepted in *Pediatric Anesthesia* and "Music therapy to reduce pain and anxiety in children with cancer undergoing lumbar puncture – a randomised clinical trial.", was recently accepted in *Journal of Pediatric*

Oncology Nursing.

Planning work is important for students with Asperger's syndrome



Marita Falkmer, ph D. student in Disability Research at School of

"CHILD research works in the favour of the children"



Torbjörn Falkmer

Editorial information

Next Newsletter #3 will be release around January 15th.

If you'd like contribute with information, or if there is anything particular you'd like to read about, do not hesitate to email [Ida Serneberg](mailto:Ida.Serneberg@hjk.se) by the latest on January 13th.

Until then we, CHILD research team, wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New 2010!



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Education and Communication, has recently contributed with a chapter in a report about students with Asperger's syndrome from the Swedish National Agency for Education (*Skolverket*). One of the conclusions is that planning work in the school situation is important for students with Asperger's syndrome. [Read more about the report on Swedish National Agency for Education webpage](#)

I am a curious person, Adolfsson says



Latest news from UNC Chapel Hill: The University where Margareta Adolfsson is based has acknowledged the GEDS program. [Read the whole article about Margareta Adolfsson and GEDS at UNC webpage here.](#)

Accepted and published articles within CHILD

- Stefan Nilsson, together with TTN Nguyen, A-L Hellström, A Bengtson, have got their article "Music therapy to reduce pain and anxiety in children with cancer undergoing lumbar puncture – a randomised clinical trial." accepted in *Journal of Pediatric Oncology Nursing*.
- Anna Ullenhag, Kristina Persson, Kerstin Hedberg Nyqvist recently published their article "Motor performance in very preterm infants before and after implementation of the newborn individualized developmental care and assessment programme in a neonatal intensive care unit" in *Acta Pædiatrica ISSN 0803*.
- Claes Nilholm and B Alm recently got their article "An inclusive classroom? A case study of inclusiveness, teacher strategies, and children's experiences" accepted in *European Journal of Special Needs Education*.
- Lena Almqvist, together with E. Swärdh, P. Åsenlöf, J. Lampa, C.H. Opava recently got their article "Physical-activity coaching and health status in rheumatoid arthritis: a person-oriented approach" in *Disability and Rehabilitation* accepted.
- Maria Harder's article "Exploring three-year-old Children in a primary child health care situation" will be published in *Journal of Child Health Care*, 13 (4).

Received fundings within CHILD

- Maria Harder has received 90 000 SEK from Majblomman and additionally 80 000 SEK from Karolinska Institutet, which will cover the costs for her research at Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland in April to June 2010.

CHILD appearance at international conferences

- Gunnel Janeslätt will participate at World Federation Of

Occupational Therapists (WFOT), The 15th WFOT World Congress focuses on contemporary perspectives in occupational therapy, a world congress in en Santiago de Chile on May 4th until 7th in 2010.

! Mats Granlund held a presentation at 3rd Interdisciplinary Meeting on Disability / Developmental disorders and Early Care, European Meeting on Early Intervention in Madrid, Spain, between November 5th and 7th 2009.

! Maria Harder will participate in Conference on Advances in Health Care Science Research at Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm on November 18th until 19th of 2009 with her poster: "Four year old children's negotiation strategies in a PCHC situation."

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