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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

EUHK30, European Studies: Bachelor Course, 30 credits

Europastudier: Kandidatkurs, 30 högskolepoäng

First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2017-06-27 to be valid from 2017-06-27, autumn semester 2017.

General Information

The course is a compulsory component of the Bachelor of Arts programme in European Studies with a humanities profile. It can normally be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish
Occasional lectures in English may be included.

Main field of studies

European Studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

G2E, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for BA/BSc

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the students shall be able to

Knowledge and understanding

- referring to relevant research, provide a specialised account of the theoretical arguments underpinning scholarly analysis within humanities-oriented European Studies

- account for the methodology of research in humanities-oriented European Studies
- account for the planning, implementation and interpretation of scholarly investigations in humanities-oriented European Studies

Competence and skills

- account for and discuss in speech and writing relevant theories and research methods, primarily qualitative methods, used in humanities-oriented European Studies
- apply chosen theories and methods to empirical material
- independently seek, collect, assess and critically interpret relevant information on an independently formulated issue in humanities-oriented European Studies, and present it in an appropriate manner
- plan, execute and evaluate a written research assignment within predetermined time frames
- orally account for the results of their own degree project

Judgement and approach

- independently and critically analyse and reflect on the application of theories of science and methods in humanities-oriented European Studies
- reflect on the ethical rules and approaches that may become relevant during the research process, and relate them to the degree project in humanities-oriented European Studies
- independently assess their knowledge and abilities in the area of humanities-oriented European Studies, and identify their need for further knowledge

Course content

The course is comprised of two modules which aim to provide students with a deeper understanding of the entire research process in humanities-oriented European Studies:

1. Philosophy of Science Foundations and Research Methodology (15 credits)
2. Degree Project (15 credits)

Module 1 presents the most important theories of science of relevance to humanities-oriented European Studies. These theories include hermeneutics, constructivism, positivism. Ontological and epistemological aspects of research, such as the differences between deductive and inductive approaches, are discussed.

Module 1 also introduces research methods which can be applied in the Bachelor's degree project. These methods include case studies, narrative study, interviews, opinion polls, text analysis and discourse analysis. The module will also address what a research process looks like.

Module 2 consists of the student's composition of a degree project in the form of a Bachelor's thesis in the field of humanities-oriented European Studies. The students are to choose a topic based on their previous studies in consultation with the supervisor. It is to demonstrate the student's ability to execute a research project from problem formulation to completed analysis within a predetermined time frame.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures, compulsory seminars (5–7) and group exercises (3–5), as well as individual supervision. Supervision in groups may also occur.

Supervision is normally limited to the semester when the student was first registered on the course. Exceptions can be made if there are special grounds.

Assessment

The assessment of module 1 is based partly on the student's participation in seminars and group exercises, and partly on a methodology paper of approximately 15 pages.

The assessment of module 2 is based on the student's completion of a degree project. The degree project is to be discussed and defended at a seminar. This seminar is part of the assessment. The assessment is also based on the students' critical review of another degree project.

Passed degree projects at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology can be registered in the LUP Student Papers database if the student so wishes. The student is responsible for uploading the passed degree project as a PDF file in LUP student papers.

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Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

For a grade of Pass on the whole course, the student must have been awarded at least this grade for both modules. For a grade of Pass with Distinction on the whole course, the student must also be awarded this grade for the degree project.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, the student must have completed the first two semesters of the study programme. In addition, they must have passed at least 75 credits from semesters 3, 4 and 5 of the programme.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
2. It replaces EUHA20.
3. The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details see the current application information and other relevant documentation.
4. The module titles in Swedish:
 1. Vetenskapsteoretiska grunder och forskningsmetodik
 2. Examensarbete

Subcourses in EUHK30, European Studies: Bachelor Course

Applies from H17

- 1701 Philosophy of Science Foundations and Research Methodology, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 1702 Degree Project, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction