

Faculty of Social Sciences

FKVC31, Peace and Conflict Studies: Diplomacy, Negotiation, Mediation, 7.5 credits

Freds- och konfliktvetenskap: Diplomati, förhandling och medling, 7,5 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 2011-11-17, spring semester 2012.

General Information

The course is part of Peace and Conflict Studies and is offered to undergraduate and exchange students at Lund University.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies Depth of study relative to the degree

requirements

Peace and Conflict Studies G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in

first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

After completion of the course, participants should

Knowledge and understanding

have knowledge about theories and practices of diplomacy, negotiation and mediation.

have knowledge of research problems, theoretical traditions, and methods in the study of diplomacy, negotiation and mediation.

Competence and skills

be able to formulate a relevant research problem in the area covered by the course, and have the ability to theorise, generalise and discuss this problem.

be able to contribute to a common learning environment and to group dynamic aspects of learning.

Course content

The course will introduce and elaborate on diplomatic practice, such as negotiation and mediation. Central issues to be discussed and compared are varieties of diplomacy, newness and decline of diplomacy, cultural differences in international negotiation as well as third parties in international negotiations. Practice and strategies will be linked to various diplomatic actors, such as states, intergovernmental organisations (IGOs), novgovernmental organisations (NGOs) official and unofficial diplomats. The course stresses the linkage between theory and practice in international relations. The course seminars will provide empirical foundation for the theoretical discussions.

Course design

The course consists of a series of lectures and seminars. In addition to attending lectures, students are expected to participate in seminar discussions, and prepare oral and written presentations on specific topics. The final assessment is based on the course activities as well as a final individual essay.

Assessment

In addition to the regular examinations two extra examinations will be organised each term.

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

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A.

The grades awarded are A, B, C, D, E or Fail. The highest grade is A and the lowest passing grade is E. The grade for a non-passing result is Fail.

The student's performance is assessed with reference to the learning outcomes of the course. For the grade of E the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of D the student must show satisfactory results. For the grade of C the student must show good results. For the grade of B the student must show very good results. For the grade of A the student must show excellent results. For the grade of Fail the student must have shown unacceptable results.

At the start of the course students are informed about the learning outcomes stated in the syllabus and about the grading scale and how it is applied in the course.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course the student must have the equivalence of 60 credits of coursework in Peace and Conflict Studies, Political Science or Social Sciences.

Subcourses in FKVC31, Peace and Conflict Studies: Diplomacy, Negotiation, Mediation

Applies from V12

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