

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

HISS27, History: Historiography - Level 5, 7.5 credits Historia: Historiografisk påbyggnadskurs, 7,5 högskolepoäng Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2015-06-11 to be valid from 2015-06-11, spring semester 2015.

General Information

The course is a compulsory component of the Master of Arts programme in Historical Studies specialising in History. It is also offered as a freestanding course and can normally be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

History

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- demonstrate a specialised ability to account for, take a position on and problematise different directions of Swedish and international historical research from the 18th century to the present
- reflect on and discuss the theoretical and practical conditions shaping historical research
- account for the increasing professionalisation of the discipline of history from a historical perspective

Competence and skills

- critically and independently integrate knowledge from different historical disciplines with different theoretical perspectives in a discussion about the present status of the discipline of history
- analyse the ways in which historical scholarship is tied to its historiographical context

Judgement and approach

• discuss and problematise issues of the societal importance of historical research and the responsibility of scholars of history

Course content

The course provides students with specialised knowledge of the development and changing positions of Swedish and international historical scholarship since the 18th century. Among the topics analysed are the conditions of historical scholarship and the process of professionalisation. The significance of different currents and directions for the discipline of history and their theoretical and methodological foundations are addressed in detail. A special focus of the course is on historiographical challenges and changes of direction, such as the breakthrough of source criticism, the cultural-historical turn and the linguistic turn.

Course design

The teaching mainly consists of lectures and seminar discussions. Attendance is compulsory at the seminars.

Assessment

Assessment is by a written exam and a minor written assignment. Other forms of examination may be used, following an agreement with the students.

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.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have 90 credits in increasingly specialised courses in history, history of ideas, history of religions, historical anthropology, economic history, European studies, gender studies specialising in history, political science specialising in history or another subject specialising in history, or the equivalent.

Further information

- 1. 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 registration information and other relevant documentation.
- 2. The course is offered at the Department of History, Lund University.

Subcourses in HISS27, History: Historiography - Level 5

Applies from V16

1501 Historiography, 7,5 hp Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction