HISS29, History: Images and Pictures in History, 7.5 credits

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, autumn semester 2015.

General Information

The course is included as an elective component of the Master of Arts programme Historical Studies. It can also be taken as a freestanding course. The course can normally be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

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Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding
- provide a specialised account of how to interpret images and place them in historical contexts
- account for research situations with regard to the relationship between images and history

Competence and skills
- execute a specialised analysis of historical images by applying different theories and perspectives

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• seek, critically evaluate and structure different types of image sources, e.g. art, monuments, film and photographs

Judgement and approach
• make research ethics assessments of different types of historical image sources

Course content
The course enables students to develop their skills in image analysis. Image analysis is applied to different types of sources such as art, monuments, film and photographs, and to the their potential use in different historical contexts. Among the topics discussed are the uses of images as expressions of hope, trauma or memory.

Course design
The teaching consists 7-10 seminars. Attendance is compulsory at the seminars.

Assessment
The assessment is based on seminar discussions and 1-4 written assignments in conjunction with the seminars. Other forms of examination may be used, following an agreement with the students.

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.

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