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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

ISLA20, Islamology: Muhammad, The Quran and the Formative History, 7.5 credits

Islamologi: Muhammad, Koranen och den tidiga historien, 7,5 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 2018-03-13 to be valid from 2018-08-31, autumn semester 2018.

General Information

The course is included in the Bachelor of Arts programme in Religious studies and Theology. It is also offered as a freestanding course. The course can be included in a general degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Religious Studies and Theology

Religious Studies and Theology with specialization in History of Religions and Religious Behavioural Studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

G1F, First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

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Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- account for the life of Muhammad and his religious and political role
- account for the contents and compilation of the Quran
- provide a general account of Muslim historiography from approximately 500 to 750 CE

Competence and skills

- relate Muslim historiography to different types of sources
- distinguish between historical facts and ideological interpretation

Judgement and approach

- critically assess the symbolic importance of events and personalities in Muslim historiography

Course content

The course deals with the life of Muhammad and the period after Muhammad, the four first caliphs and the Umayyad Caliphate. It highlights the religious, social, political, economic and cultural situation in the period 500-750 CE. and highlights different types of sources of knowledge concerning the period. The course also addresses the history and contents of the Quran.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and seminars.

Assessment

The assessment is based on a written take-home exam and an oral exam.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

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 passed Islamology: Present-Day Islamic Discussions (ISLA21) or 30 credits in another subject.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
2. The course is identical to module 2 in Islamology: Level 1 (ISLA11).
3. The course replaces ISLB01/ISLB51.
4. 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.

Subcourses in ISLA20, Islamology: Muhammad, The Quran and the Formative History

Applies from H18

1801 Islamology: Muhammad, The Quran and the Formative History, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction