



Faculty of Medicine

MPHP13, Health Policy, 7.5 credits

Hälsopolitik, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by The Master's Programmes Board on 2016-10-11 and was valid from 2017-01-01, spring semester 2017.

General Information

The course is a compulsory component of the Master (120 credits) of Medical Science programme in Public Health

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

On completion of the course, student shall be able to:

- explain basic theorisings and concepts in health policy
- explain contemporary questions in health policy and the values they rests on,
- explain the interaction between evidence and values in health policy
- explain how theories are related to implementation of health policy
- explain the relationship between human rights, welfare politics and health policy.

Competence and skills

On completion of the course, student shall be able to:

- analyse and reflect on the theories that are used in the subject area
- analyse and reflect on the values that underlie these theories
- identify health-political questions and engage in a discussion of these
- orally as well as in writing present, support, discuss as well as draw conclusions of scientific work and studies in the area.

Judgement and approach

On completion of the course, student shall be able to:

- identify ethical problems in health policy as well as engage in a discussion of these based on ethical principles and guidelines.

Course content

The course should provide knowledge of basic theories and concepts in health policy and how these are used in a social and political context in a global perspective;

The course should also give advanced understanding of and knowledge of the values that underlie health policy with an emphasis on human rights and questions related to welfare politics;

The course should give a deeper understanding of how health policy is implemented and how one evaluates evidence-based health policy critically as concept;

The course will treat the key figures in the health policy on the global arena and evaluate their underlying values critically;

The theoretical parts of the course will be supplemented by practical exercises and group assignment that will focus on practical questions related to formulation and implementation of health policy.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures, seminars and case discussions. Seminars and case discussions are compulsory components in the course.

Assessment

The examination consists of three different test parts that all are assessed based on a bedömningsmatris for respective component.

Component 1 is an individual written assignment in the form of an analysis of an optional policy in the health area (1.5 credits). Component 2 is a group assignment, where a current book that has obtained large impact for the health-political discussion is analysed and underlies a policyförslag (1.5 credits). Component 3 is an individual written examination (4.5 credits).

If there are special reasons, other examination formats can be applied.

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 the grade Pass on the whole course, the grade Pass on all test parts is required. To pass the course with distinction is required that it sammanvägda the mean of the individual written assignment and the individual written examination corresponds the grade Pass with distinction. On the written group assignment, the grading scale is applied Failed and Passed.

Entry requirements

A Bachelor's degree or the equivalent. Specific entry requirements: English B from Swedish upper secondary school or the equivalent.

Subcourses in MPHP13, Health Policy

Applies from V17

- 1601 Written Assignment, 1,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 1602 Group Assignment, 1,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass
- 1603 Written Exam, 4,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction