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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

MRSK62, Human Rights Studies: Bachelor Course, 30 credits

Mänskliga rättigheter: Kandidatkurs, 30 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 2017-10-20 to be valid from 2017-10-20, spring semester 2018.

General Information

The course is a compulsory component of the Bachelor of Arts programme in Human Rights Studies. It makes up the final semester of the programme. The course can normally be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Human Rights Studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

G2E, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for BA/BSc

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, students shall be able to

Knowledge and understanding

- account for important themes in human rights studies research and for the conditions governing multidisciplinary research on human rights
- provide a basic account of theories and methods used in human rights studies research
- account for specialised knowledge and understanding of selected parts of the relevant societal context, including the research area of the degree project and

- associated previous research
- account for current research issues

Competence and skills

- informed by theoretical, ethical and legal aspects, analyse challenges associated with human rights in a complex societal context
- independently map and describe the knowledge development in human rights studies and master correct reference management
- independently identify, describe and analyse how human rights are conceptualised and practised in the national and international societal contexts and situations covered by the study programme
- provide a clear and specialised account of a key research issue in human rights studies in an independent project

Judgement and approach

- assess advantages and challenges of a multidisciplinary approach to research issues
- independently assess their own knowledge and abilities in human rights studies and identify their need of reinforcing their knowledge and abilities
- develop and reconsider their acquired abilities, insights and positions in speech and writing

Course content

The course enables students to specialise in human rights through focusing on critical analysis, integration of theory and practice and independent project work individually and in groups. The course starts with a thematic course linked to research and looking ahead to the degree project and professional life. The course is concluded with the students' use of their specialised knowledge and skills with regard to theories and methods to produce an individual research study.

It consists of the following modules:

1. Thematic Course, 10 credits,
2. Degree Project, 20 credits.

Course design

The teaching on module 1 consists of lectures and weekly seminars. Participation in seminars is compulsory. In case of absence, students must submit a make-up assignment. The compulsory components may include written assignments.

The teaching on module 2 consists of supervision. Supervision is only provided in the semester the student was first registered on the course.

Assessment

The assessment of module 1 is based on written assignments and on active participation in compulsory seminars.

The assessment of module 2 is based partly on a survey of previous research to be reported in writing, partly on a paper written by the student, and partly on the student's performance when defending their own paper and critically reviewing a fellow student's paper at the seminar for this purpose.

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.

Passed degree projects at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology can be registered in the LUP Student Papers database if the student so wishes. The student is responsible for uploading the passed degree project as a PDF file in LUP student papers.

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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 a grade of Pass for the whole course, the student must have been awarded at least this grade for all modules. For a grade of Pass with Distinction for the whole course, the student must also have been awarded at least this grade for the module Degree Project.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed Human Rights Studies: Level 1 (30 credits) or the equivalent, Human Rights Studies: Level 2 (30 credits), Human Rights Studies: Level 3 (30 credits). Furthermore, students must have passed Human Rights: Internship (30 credits) or a semester of studies abroad or the equivalent, and another 30 credits of perspectival studies of relevance to the subject.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Division of Human Rights Studies, Department of History, Lund University.
2. It replaces MRSK61.
3. 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.
4. The module titles in Swedish:
 1. Temakurs, 10 hp
 2. Examensarbete, 20 högskolepoäng

Subcourses in MRSK62, Human Rights Studies: Bachelor Course

Applies from V18

- 1701 Thematic Course, 10,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 1702 Bachelor Thesis, 20,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 1703 Opposition, 0,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass