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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

RHBC13, History of Religions and Religious Behavioural Science: Method Course, 7.5 credits

*Religionshistoria och religionsbeteendevetenskap: Metodkurs, 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 2016-05-23 to be valid from 2016-08-29, autumn semester 2016.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It may be included in the Bachelor's programme in Religious Studies and Theology. It may be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

History of Religions

G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

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

G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- provide a structured account of the most important methods for material and data collection in the field of religious studies

Competence and skills

- independently and critically interpret results derived from different methods of religious studies and present them in speech and writing
- perceive, formulate and discuss research problems from different perspectives and different methodological traditions
- independently select and apply suitable methods for a study according to a predetermined standard

Judgement and approach

- assess the knowledge produced by religious studies and the researcher's responsibility for how it is used.

Course content

The course provides students with an overview of and application exercise in methods that are used in research within religious behavioural science, philology and the anthropology of religions. The student is also enabled to practise some of these methods in depth. The course provides students with an awareness of the importance of methods, issues of research ethics and the choice of method for a specific research assignment.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and seminars in which the students is expected to participate actively with presentations and discussions.

Assessment

The assessment is based on a take-home exam of approximately 15 pages.

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, the student must have passed History of Religions and Religious Behavioural Science: Level 2 (RHBB03) **and** History of Religions: Level 2 (RHIB13) or Islamology: Level 2 (ISLB13) or Jewish Studies: Level 2 (JUDB13) or Religious Behavioural Science: Level 2 (RBVB13) **or** the equivalent.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
2. The course replaces RHBC11.
3. The course is included as a module in the courses ISLK03, JUDK03, RBVK03, RHIK03.
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 registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in RHBC13, History of Religions and Religious Behavioural
Science: Method Course

Applies from H16

1601 Method Course, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction