



Faculty of Social Sciences

SIMR41, Social Science: Internship, 30 credits

Social Science: Internship, 30 högskolepoäng

Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by Graduate School Board on 2013-09-04 to be valid from 2013-09-02, autumn semester 2013.

General Information

This is an elective course that is offered to students within the Master of Science programmes in Global Studies, Development Studies and Social Studies of Gender. The language of instruction is English.

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Main field of studies

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Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

A1F, Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

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

- demonstrate a thorough practical knowledge about activities and work procedures of the organisation where the internship takes place
- demonstrate a deeper understanding of earlier parts of the education within the programme
- demonstrate an ability to use appropriate theories and methods in conducting applied studies
- communicate results of learning and research processes to different kinds of recipients within given time frames, both in writing and orally

Course content

The student spends one term in a relevant organisation and is during this period continuously engaged in the organisation's activities, working with qualified tasks related to the programme (Global Studies, Development Studies or Social Studies of Gender) and conducting an independent study. The student should be guided and supported by a supervisor appointed by the organisation in which the internship takes place.

Course design

The student is required to write an independent study of the organisation and its work practices in English, with explicit reference to earlier parts of the education within the programme and to relevant literature. The study is to be discussed and examined at a seminar.

Assessment

As a compulsory part of the course the student shall:

1. Present an introduction to, and description of, the internship.
2. Present an outline of the topic for the independent study
3. Comment on other students' work and take active part in seminars
4. Write continuous reflection papers
5. Write an independent study report (4800-5000 words)

The student's workplace supervisor is required to make an assessment of the internship in the form of a written statement in English or Swedish containing information about the name of the student, the name of the organisation, the time period of the internship, what kind of tasks the student has worked with, and the quality of the work. If possible, written documentation of the student's work should be added to the statement.

Should a student fail to complete the internship he/she will be given one more opportunity to complete it satisfactorily. In this case, the entire internship must be re-done. It is the student's own responsibility to find a new placement.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass.

The grades awarded are Pass or Fail. To receive Pass the student must fulfill the learning outcomes specified for the course.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course the student must have fulfilled one year (60 credits) of coursework within the Master of Science in Global Studies, Development Studies or Social Studies of Gender, including profile courses for the programme amounting to 30 credits and 30 credits of courses in theory of science (at least 7.5 credits) and research methods (at least 15 credits).

Further information

This course was adopted by the Dean on September 4th 2013 in accordance with the delegation of authorities, reg.no S2012/60.

This syllabus is valid from the autumn term 2013.

It is the student's own responsibility to find a suitable organisation for the internship, as well as to finance travels, housing etc. The arrangements made with the organisation and the supervisor should be approved by the programme management before the internship begins. Applications for the course are made on a special form.

This course cannot be included in a degree together with SIMR11 Social Science: Internship in Global Studies, 30 higher education credits, Second cycle
SIMR21 Social Science: Internship in Gender Studies, 30 higher education credits, Second cycle or SIMR31 Social Science: Internship in Development Studies, 30 higher education credits, Second cycle.

Subcourses in SIMR41, Social Science: Internship

Applies from H13

1301 Social Science: Internship, 30,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass