

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

TLVC14, Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 3 A, 15 credits

Tros- och livsåskådningsvetenskap: Fördjupningskurs, 15 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 2015-06-26 and was last revised on 2017-04-25. The revised syllabus applies from 2017-08-28, autumn semester 2017.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

It can be selected as a specialisation course in the Bachelor's programme in Religious Studies and Theology.

It can be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Religious Studies and Theology with specialization in Studies in Faiths and World Views

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

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 major theoretical and methodological perspectives within current Studies in Faith and World Views
- account for main patterns, key problems and central representatives of current Studies in Faith and World Views
- relate the study of Studies in Faith and World Views to current issues within religious studies, theology and society, and to a certain extent to present-day research and culture

Competence and skills

- independently explain and analyse the implications of basic choices with regard to method and content within research in theology and religious studies
- write and defend a text that critically applies current theoretical perspectives to a key issue within the philosophy of religion, systematic theology or ethics
- present, analyse and discuss key issues in present-day Studies in Faith and World Views in speech and writing

Judgement and approach

- assess the possible implications of different philosophical, theological and ethical positions for church, society and individuals
- assess their studies in relation to theory discussions and research within Studies in Faith and World Views from a critical and exploratory perspective

Course content

The course enables students to specialise their knowledge and skills previously acquired within Studies in Faith and World Views. It starts with an introduction to relevant theories and methods common to the specialisations within Studies in Faith and World Views. This is followed by studies of current movements and perspective within one of the specialisations of the philosophy of religion, systematic theology and ethics. Throughout the course, students are prepared to independently and methodically address issues within the specialisation.

The course consists of the following modules:

- 1. Theories and Methods in Studies in Faith and World Views, 7.5 credits
- 2. Elective Specialisation, 7.5 credits

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and approximately 5 compulsory seminars. Students have to make up for absence from compulsory seminars through written assignments in accordance with instructions from the lecturer.

Assessment

Module 1 is assessed on the basis of three oral exams at seminars and a written report of approximately 5 pages, in which the student is to analyse a dissertation in the philosophy of religion, systematic theology or ethics, focusing on theoretical and methodological choices.

Module 2 is assessed on the basis of two oral exams at seminars and a written research survey of 6-8 pages on a chosen issue within the philosophy of religion, systematic theology or ethics.

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.

To be awarded a grade Pass on the whole course, students must have been awarded this grade on both modules. To be awarded a grade Pass with Distinction on the whole course, students must have been awarded the grade of Pass on module 1 and the grade of Pass with Distinction on module 2.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 2 (TLVB02/TLVB01) **or** Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 2 A (TLVB31/TLVD31) and Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 2 B (TLVB32/TLVD32) or the equivalent.

Further information

- 1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
- 2. Module titles in Swedish: 1. Teorier och metoder i tros- och livsåskådningsvetenskap. 2. Valbar fördjupning.
- 3. This course replaces TLVC11, TLVC12 and TLVC13.
- 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.
- 5. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in TLVC14, Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 3 A

Applies from H15

- 1501 Theories and Methods in Studies in Faith and World Views, 7,5 hp Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 1502 Elective Specialisation, 7,5 hp Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction