



**LUND**  
UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Social Sciences

## **SOCN03, Sociology: Classical and Contemporary Theory, 15 credits**

*Sociologi: Klassisk och modern teori, 15 högskolepoäng*

**Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå**

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 2011-11-17 to be valid from 2012-01-19, autumn semester 2012.

### **General Information**

The course may be included in a magister - or master's degree with sociology as the major field of study.

*Language of instruction:* English

*Main field of studies*

Sociology

*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

### **Learning outcomes**

After the overview, the student should independently be able to

- identify and argue for what the central issues are in the sociology
- identify and formulate general sociological issues applying more advanced qualitative and quantitative methods
- account for qualified views and participate in discipline-relevant discussions both in and outside the university,
- demonstrate an understanding of the possibilities and limitations of sociology and its role in the society,
- participate in development of and change in the subject area,
- identify one's need of additional knowledge and take responsibility for one's own knowledge development
- apply one's knowledge in scientific communication and identify knowledge development in the subject area.

## Course content

The course intends to give an advanced understanding of classical and modern sociological theory. Strong emphasis is placed on the reading of original texts, as well as on the comparison of different sociological concepts and theorising. Further it is sought to display sociological theories' relevance for an understanding of the general processes of change that characterise modern societies.

## Course design

The teaching consists of lectures, group discussions, supervision and seminars. Group discussions and seminars are compulsory.

## Assessment

Written tests are organised at the end of the course. Tests can also occur during the course. Make-up examinations are organised a month after the regular examination session. An additional examination can be organised at the end of the semester. The Student has the right to participate in tests that are organised during the following semesters but then on the basis of that semester's course material.

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

## Grades

Marking scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A.

The following grades are used: A, B, C, D, E or failed. The highest grade is A and the lowest passing grade is E. The grade for a non-passing result is Fail.

The student's performance is assessed with reference to the learning outcomes of the course. For the grade of E the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of D the student must show satisfactory results. For the grade of C the student must show good results. For the grade of B the student must show very good results. For the grade of A the student must show excellent results. For the grade of Fail the student must have shown unacceptable results.

## Entry requirements

For admission to the course, one must have 150 credits including a Bachelors thesis in sociology, or the equivalent.

## Further information

This course replaces Sociology: Classical and modern theory.

The course is established by the board of the sociological department 08/12/2011.

## Subcourses in SOCN03, Sociology: Classical and Contemporary Theory

Applies from V12

1101 Classical and Contemporary Theory, 15,0 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A