

Samhällsvetenskapliga fakulteten

STVC52, Statsvetenskap: The Politics of Environment and Sustainable Development, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Political Science: The Politics of Environment and Sustainable Development, 7.5 credits Grundnivå / First Cycle

Fastställande

Kursplanen är fastställd av Statsvetenskapliga institutionens styrelse 2011-11-08 att gälla från och med 2011-11-17, vårterminen 2012.

Allmänna uppgifter

This is a course in Political Science that is offered to first cycle and exchange students at Lund University.

Undervisningsspråk: Engelska

Huvudområde Statsvetenskap *Fördjupning* G2F, Grundnivå, har minst 60 hp kurs/er på grundnivå som förkunskapskrav

Kursens mål

On completion of the course, students shall have demonstrated

Kunskap och förståelse

- knowledge of environmental problems and international political efforts to manage them.

- knowledge of how different theoretical perspectives in Political Science contribute to the understanding of the politics of environment and sustainable development in national and global context.

Färdighet och förmåga

- an ability to critically assess theories and perspectives covered by the course and analyze cases within the field of politics of the environment and sustainable development.

- an ability to present her/his analysis in written and oral form that corresponds to academic standards.

- responsibility for her/his learning process throughout the entire course by engaging in group tasks, seminar discussions as well as individual assignments.

Kursens innehåll

This course explores the politics of the environment, including issues of sustainable development, in national and global contexts. Focus is placed on how environmental issues can be understood as political problems and what types of challenges they pose for political systems. This is examined from different theoretical perspectives in Political Science, among them political thought, policy analysis, and international relations. In the course, the ideas behind environmental concern and sustainable development will be analysed, as well as what these ideas imply for politics as well as for Political Science. Examples of such ideas are sustainable development, ecological modernisation, and intra- and intergenerational justice. Focus will also be placed on the actors involved in the politics of the environment. These include governments and governmental organizations as well as green parties and social movements. The processes involved in international and national contexts will also be discussed. Throughout the course, cross-cutting case studies will be used to illustrate theoretical debates and concepts.

Kursens genomförande

The course consists of a series of seminars. In addition to attending lectures, students are expected to participate in seminar discussions, and prepare oral and written presentations on specific topics.

Kursens examination

Examination is based on several assignments throughout the course, in both written and oral form. In addition to the regular examinations, two extra examinations will be organised each term.

Prov/moment för denna kurs finns i en bilaga i slutet av dokumentet.

Betyg

Betygsskalan omfattar betygsgraderna Underkänt, E, D, C, B, A. The grades awarded are A, B, C, D, E or Fail. 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.

At the start of the course students are informed about the learning outcomes stated in the syllabus and about the grading scale and how it is applied in the course.

Förkunskapskrav

To be eligible for the course the student must have the equivalent of 60 ECTS credits from studies in Political Science.

A high level of proficiency in the English language is necessary. (IELTS with a minimum of 6.0 (none of the sections under 5.0), or TOEFL with a minimum of 575p (internet based 90p) or having received a passing grade in English course B (Swedish secondary school) is required.

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