



Faculties of Humanities and Theology

## ABMM53, Library and Information Studies: The Digital Library, 7.5 credits

*Biblioteks- och informationsvetenskap: Det digitala biblioteket, 7,5  
höskolepoäng*  
Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

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### Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2011-11-08 and was last revised on 2021-02-22. The revised syllabus applied from 2021-02-22, autumn semester 2021.

### General Information

The course is a compulsory component of the Information Studies specialisation of the Master of Arts programmes in Archival Studies, Library and Information Studies, and Museum Studies.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish

The language of instruction is primarily Swedish, but teaching in other Scandinavian languages or English may occur.

*Main field of studies*

Culture and Information Studies for  
Archives, Libraries and Museums

*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 students shall be able to

### Knowledge and understanding

- account for different perspectives of libraries in the digital society
- in a specialised manner, interrogate issues concerning the organisation of knowledge linked to online environments and digital resources of relevance to libraries

### **Competence and skills**

- apply different perspectives on digital publication and analyse digital strategies
- be able to reflect and problematize various factors affecting services and activities in digital libraries and be aware of some methods for evaluation,
- take aspects of source criticism and target groups into account when selecting online resources to be included in a library's services

### **Judgement and approach**

- discuss ethical aspects of the library's role and the function of information in the digital society

## **Course content**

The course interrogates different perceptions in research and institutional discourse of the library in digital society. Different types of libraries are studied from different vantage points such as discussions of key components in the design of digital library services, and different problems and phenomena in digital society that concern the library as an institution. The course includes a discussion of relevant sociotechnical aspects of libraries and information in digital society.

## **Course design**

The teaching consists of lectures, supervised group exercises, seminars and study visits. The supervised group exercises, seminars and study visits are compulsory (four sessions in total). Students are required to make up for any absence with a written assignment.

## **Assessment**

The assessment is based on a supervised oral group assignment and an individual paper.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

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

## **Grades**

Marking scale: Fail, Pass.

## **Entry requirements**

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed ABMM52 or the equivalent.

## **Further information**

1. The course is offered at the Department of Arts and Cultural Sciences, Lund University.
2. The course replaces ABMM42 Library and Information Studies: The Digital Library
3. 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 application information and other relevant documentation.

## Subcourses in ABMM53, Library and Information Studies: The Digital Library

Applies from H21

- 2108 Seminars, 1,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass
- 2109 Individual paper, 4,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass
- 2110 Group assignment, 1,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass

Applies from H12

- 1101 PBL Assignment, 1,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass
- 1102 Laboratory Sessions, 1,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass
- 1103 Project Work, 4,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass