



School of Economics and Management

EKHK18, Economic History: Bachelor's Thesis in Development Studies SGUTV, 15 credits

*Economic History: Bachelor's Thesis in Development Studies SGUTV, 15
högskolepoäng*
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The Board of the Department of Economic History on 2011-10-06 and was last revised on 2025-10-02 (U2025/730). The revised syllabus comes into effect 2025-10-02 and is valid from the spring semester 2026.

General information

The course is offered as a compulsory course within the Bachelors in Development Studies with a major in Economic History. The language of instruction is English and the thesis should be written in English.

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*Main field of Specialisation
study*

Economic History G2E, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science

Learning outcomes

On a general level the student will acquire skills and abilities for independent research. More specifically, students will be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- give an account of and apply theoretical models within the field of the thesis topic
- give and account of and apply relevant empirical methods to study the thesis topic

Competence and skills

- analyse and draw relevant conclusions from the investigations that have been carried out
- present, summarize and discuss, in written and spoken form, individually or in a group, the chosen thesis topic

Judgement and approach

- critically evaluate and reflect upon theories and methods that are relevant for investigating the chosen research problem
- scrutinize and discuss other theses in the field

Course content

The primary course content is to write a thesis which will be discussed and scrutinized at a seminar. The thesis is written in groups of two. Permission to write individually may be granted in special cases. The student is also expected to scrutinize and discuss another thesis. The writing of the thesis is guided by one or more thesis supervisors. During the course, meetings are also offered on one or more occasions where general information and advice about the thesis writing process is provided.

Course design

The course consists of supervision and seminars.

Assessment

The examination considers both the written and spoken performance and consists of the written thesis, the oral presentation of the thesis at a seminar and the scrutiny and discussion of another thesis. A designated examiner is appointed and is responsible for the grading. The examiner cannot be the same person who supervised the student.

The university takes plagiarism seriously. Attempts at plagiarism or other forms of academic misconduct will be reported to the university's disciplinary board. The consequences may include suspension from university studies, either for a shorter or longer period.

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.

Grades

Grading scale includes the grades: U=Fail, E=Sufficient, D=Satisfactory, C=Good, B=Very Good, A=Excellent

- A (Excellent). A distinguished result that is excellent with regard to the following aspects – theoretical depth, relevance for the subject matter, analytical ability and independent thought.
- B (Very good). A very good result with regard to the above mentioned aspects.

- C (Good). The result is of a good standard with regard to the above mentioned aspects and lives up to expectations.
- D (Satisfactory). The result is of a satisfactory standard with regard to the above mentioned aspects and lives up to expectations.
- E (Sufficient). The result satisfies the minimum requirements with regard to the above mentioned aspects, but not more.
- F (Fail). The result does not meet the minimum requirements with regard to the above mentioned aspects.

To pass the course, the student must receive a grade of E or higher.

If the student does not submit the thesis on time, this will negatively affect the grade, except if the student can demonstrate special circumstances for the delay, in which case the assignment will be assessed according to regular procedure.

Entry requirements

General requirements for university studies in Sweden and at least 75 percent of the course requirement in year two, including 30 credits in Economic History.