



Faculties of Humanities and Theology

EUHR14, European Studies: Theory and Methodology, 15 credits

Europastudier: Flervetenskapliga teorier och forskningsmetoder, 15 högskolepoäng
Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

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 2011-04-15 and was last revised on 2020-08-19. The revised syllabus applied from 2020-08-19, spring semester 2021.

General Information

The course is offered as a part of the Master of Arts programme in European Studies. The course can also be offered as a freestanding course.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies

European Studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

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

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the students shall be able to

Knowledge and understanding

- account for current theories in contemporary European society, politics, culture and mass media
- in a wider research context, be able to situate an individual research project with a focus on the social, political and cultural situation of Europe
- define and use fundamental concepts of qualitative research in the humanities and social sciences

Competence and skills

- identify optimal methods for an individual research project on a European issue
- objectively discuss the planning and execution of a theoretically and methodologically well-founded research project on a European issue
- critically review quantitative data in their research projects
- independently describe and analyse ethical issues in research
- apply their methodological knowledge to identify, describe, interpret and discuss phenomena and issues related to Europe

Judgement and approach

demonstrate a critical approach to the field of study by applying current ethical norms in research.

Course content

The course provides an advanced understanding of primarily three fields: research theories relevant to European Studies, qualitative methodology as well as research design and source criticism.

The lectures and seminars present key theories in history and cultural and social sciences as well as concrete examples of analytical application of these theories. The course highlights theoretical approaches, qualitative research methods and considerations of research ethics enabling analyses of a different issues in contemporary Europe. The course also provides opportunities for discussions on the field work and degree project in the concluding semester.

Course design

Teaching consists of lectures and 6-7 compulsory seminars. Missed attendance on the seminars can be supplemented in the form of home assignments.

Assessment

A final take-home exam (up to 5000 words).

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, Pass with distinction.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed EUHR11 and EUHR12 or the equivalent.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
2. 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 registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in EUHR14, European Studies: Theory and Methodology

Applies from V23

2301 Theory and Methodology, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

Applies from V11

1101 Theory and Methodology, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction