

Faculty of Social Sciences

JOUD02, Journalism: Advanced Work Placement, 15 credits

Journalistik: Kvalificerad yrkespraktik, 15 högskolepoäng First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the prodean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2013-10-23 and was last revised on 2019-10-04 by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology. The revised syllabus comes into effect 2019-10-04 and is valid from the spring semester 2020.

General information

Subject: Journalism

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It consists of a full-time work placement. The course can be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish Components in other Scandinavian languages and English may be included.

Main field of Specialisation study

- G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

• discuss how the journalistic work functions and is organised for the placement and identify different editorial roles in the work process

Competence and skills

- assume a professional journalistic role and thereby apply journalistic working methods in a professional context
- compile observations and experiences from the professional practice and present these in the form of a work placement report

Judgement and approach

- in speech and in writing, report on the work placement, professional role and workplace from the perspective of journalism studies
- identify their need of further knowledge and for developing their expertise in relation to working life

Course content

The aim of the course is to provide the student with a professional or vocational placement where the theoretical part of the journalism subject is linked to the practical work. The course includes work placement activities with a journalistic orientation and can be carried out in public or private organisations, as well as voluntary organisations, in Sweden or abroad. The course starts with 2 compulsory placement preparation days. Supported by supervision at the host organisation, the student will then work on advanced tasks and participate in the daily work. At the host organisation, the student should be given the opportunity to use and develop previously acquired knowledge and skills in journalism. During the placement period, the student also works on a written work placement report.

Course design

Compulsory components of the course: The student must first present the host organisation and a plan for the work placement to the course director. The placement preparation days take place at the University. After the placement period, the student is to show a certificate from the placement supervisor. The certificate should contain information about the placement and the tasks that the student has carried out. Students must have a minimum 80% attendance rate at the work place during the placement and participate in an online seminar with course coordinators and course participants. The student will also write a work placement report that is to be presented orally at the final seminar.

Participation in the introduction days and in seminars is compulsory unless special circumstances apply. Students who have been unable to participate in compulsory components due to circumstances such as accidents or sudden illness will be offered the opportunity to compensate for, or re-take, compulsory components. This also applies to students who have missed classes because of activities as a student representative.

Assessment

The assessment is based on a written work placement report that is written individually and presented at a seminar.

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: Fail, Pass

Entry requirements

Admission to the course requires JOUK10 Journalism: Level 3.

Further information

- 1. The course is offered at the Department of Communication and Media, Lund University.
- 2. It is the student's responsibility to arrange a work placement and finance travel, accommodation etc. On application to the course, the student must contact the course director. The work placement may not commence until the course director has approved the host organisation, supervisor and the main duties involved.
- 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 registration information and other relevant documentation.