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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

KRMC12, Church and Mission Studies: Level 3 A, 15 credits

Kyrko- och missionsstudier: Fördjupningskurs, 15 högskolepoäng

First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the pro-dean for first-cycle studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2014-11-11 and was last revised on 2017-02-21. The revised syllabus applies from 2017-08-28, autumn semester 2017.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can be selected as a specialisation course in the Bachelor's programme in Religious Studies and Theology. The course can be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

The language of instruction is mainly Swedish, but some components may be taught in other Scandinavian languages or English.

Main field of studies

Religious Studies and Theology with specialization in Church and Mission Studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

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

- account for the role of early Christian traditions for the shape and development of Christian traditions today, with special focus on a chosen theme
- focusing on a chosen theme, account for how early Christian traditions are interrogated, revised and recycled in relation to various challenges in modern society
- account for basic elements of different theoretical models describing changes in tradition
- account for basic elements in the critical treatment of source material

Competence and skills

- independently find, assess and critically interpret information of relevance to the chosen theme and for a method discussion focused on source criticism
- independently identify and formulate how Christian tradition is adapted and revised in accordance with new times and contexts
- independently apply methods of source criticism to different sources
- independently relate their analyses based on source criticism to discussions about the use and usefulness of source criticism
- independently apply different theoretical models that describe changes in tradition to a source material

Judgement and approach

- judge and understand changes and objections to tradition in a broad scholarly, societal and religious context
- assess and take a position on current debates about the emergence of Christianity and the role of early Christian tradition in the present

Course content

The course mainly consists of independent text study. In the first part of the course, students will be able to specialise in one of three possible themes that examine the mutability of the Christian tradition and highlight the heritage of early Christianity in present-day Christian traditions:

- a) Church and power
- b) Body, gender and sexuality
- c) Liturgy and rite

The second part of the course consists of independent study of one or several sources that are discussed and examined from the perspective of the method texts of the course.

The course consists of the following modules:

1. Tradition and Change- The Early Church and the Challenges of the Present, 10 credits
2. Method Study- Source Criticism, 5 credits

Course design

The course consists of independent study as well as teaching in the form of lectures, compulsory seminars with oral presentations or supervision. In connection with five of the seminars, the student is expected to submit a written assignment. Students have to make up for absence from compulsory seminars through written assignments in accordance with instructions from the lecturer.

Assessment

The assessment of module 1 is based on a written assignment including an oral presentation.

The assessment of module 2 is based on a take-home exam.

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.

The grades awarded are Fail, Pass or Pass with Distinction. For a grade of Pass on the whole course, the student must have been awarded this grade on both modules. For a grade of Pass with Distinction on the whole course, the student must have been awarded this grade on both modules.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, the student must have passed the following courses: Church and Mission Studies: Level 2 (KRM B11) **or** Church and Mission Studies: History of the Churches (KRM B23/KRM D23) and Church and Mission Studies: Church Traditions (KRM B24/KRM D24) or the equivalent.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
2. The course is a part of course KRMK02.
3. The course replaces KRMC11.
4. 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.
5. For further details see the current application information and other relevant documentation.
6. Module titles in Swedish:

1. Tradition och förändring: Den tidiga kyrkan och nutidens utmaningar
2. Metodstudium: Källkritik

Subcourses in KRMC12, Church and Mission Studies: Level 3 A

Applies from V15

- 1401 Examination, 10,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 1402 Examination, 5,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction