

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

KRMC14, 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 2021-09-28 to be valid from 2021-09-28, spring semester 2022.

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. It can be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Teaching is generally in Swedish, although teaching in other Scandinavian languages or English may occur.

Main field of studies	Depth of study relative to the degree requirements
Religious Studies and Theology with specialization in Church and Mission Studies	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 key methods in church history, mission studies with ecumenics and practical theology
- account for the use of theories in church history, mission studies with ecumenics and practical theology
- account for current scholarly debate in church history, mission studies with ecumenics and practical theology

• account for different research fields in church history, mission studies with ecumenics and practical theology

Competence and skills

- independently formulate and respond to a research question of relevance to the specialisation and provide constructive criticism on another student's paper
- apply relevant methods and theories to respond to an issue of relevance to a delimited topic
- search for, critically evaluate and structure different types of information of relevance to theoretical and methodological aspects in either church history, mission studies with ecumenics or practical theology

Judgement and approach

- independently and critically review arguments and positions within a subject of relevance to one of the following subject specialisations: church history, mission studies with ecumenics or practical theology
- assess and understand a delimited topic in church history, mission studies, or practical theology in a broad social, scholarly and religious context
- reflect on how the choice of method and theory relates to the scientific approach and the researcher's self-understanding.

Course content

Students in the course study and apply theories and methods of relevance to the specialisation in church and mission studies. The students also write a paper.

The course consists of two modules:

- 1) Theory and Method, 7.5 credits
- 2) Paper, 7.5 credits

The module "Theory and Method" includes lectures on theories and methods that are applied in church history, mission studies with ecumenics and practical theology e.g. source evaluation, discourse analysis, use of history, different social sciences methods and theories as well as a number of qualitative and quantitative methods. Students also participate in seminars at which texts that address and illustrate theoretical and methodological approaches are discussed and perspectives from church history, mission studies and practical theology are applied. Prior to the seminars, students are expected to reflect on a number of pre-seminar questions and, following the completed seminar, to supplement the seminar discussion with an individual essay in which these questions are answered.

In the module "Paper", students are taught about scientific writing and write their own research paper on a topic of their choice within church and mission studies. For this paper, students will apply the knowledge and understanding of theory and method acquired in the first module. The teaching consists of seminars which introduce and provide practice in scientific writing and supervision. The papers will be presented at a final seminar at which students will review each other's papers. The module also includes components of library instruction e.g. different forms of literature and information searches.

Course design

Teaching consists of lectures and approximately 10 compulsory seminars, as well as supervision of student papers (mainly in the form of group supervision). Absence from the seminars may be compensated for with written assignments in accordance with instructions from the lecturer.

Assessment

The assessment of Module 1 is based on the compulsory components described in the course design.

The assessment of Module 2 is based on the writing of a paper and a critical review of another student's 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, Pass with distinction.

For the grade of Pass on the course, the student must have been awarded at least this grade for both modules. For the grade of Pass with Distinction on the course, students must also have been awarded this grade on Module 2.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, the student must have passed Church and Mission Studies: Level 2 (KRMB27) **or** Church and Mission studies: Level 2 A (KRMB25) **or** Church and Mission studies: History of Churches (KRMB23/KRMD23) **or** the equivalent.

Further information

- 1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
- 2. This course replaces KRMC13.
- 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.
- 4. Module titles in Swedish:
 - 1. Teori och metod
 - 2. Uppsats

Subcourses in KRMC14, Church and Mission Studies: Level 3 A

Applies from V22

2201 Theory and method, 7,5 hp Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

2202 Essay, 7,5 hp

Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction