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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

MRSL02, Democracy and Human Rights Promotion: Experiences, Policies and Practices from International to Local, 5 credits

Demokrati och mänskliga rättigheter: Erfarenheter, policy och praktik från det internationella till det lokala, 5 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 2023-01-25 to be valid from 2023-01-25, spring semester 2023.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course and can normally be included in a first or second-cycle degree.

Language of instruction: English

The language of instruction is English, but examination may also be done in Swedish.

The course may be taught in Swedish, provided there is a special agreement between the lecturer/s and the students. Such an agreement would depend on both the lecturer and all students having a good knowledge of Swedish.

Main field of studies

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Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- define the concepts democracy and human rights,
- discuss theoretical and ethical debates about the realisation of democracy and human rights,

- describe methods and practices for the realisation of democracy and human rights,

Competence and skills

- compare and contrast differences between large international stakeholders' procedures for the promotion of democracy and human rights,
- debate the long-term consequences of different procedures concerning the promotion of democracy and human rights at the international, national as well as local levels,
- independently assess Sweden's contribution to international society,

Judgement and approach

- reflect on the effectiveness of the promotion of democracy and human rights,
- reflect on the future for democracy and the promotion of human rights,
- suggest alternative ways to strengthen the development of democracy and human rights abroad.

Course content

The course explores the concepts of human rights and the promotion of democracy from theoretical, ethical and practical points of view. Special attention is devoted to the examination of concrete efforts by international stakeholders including governments, international state and non-governmental organisations and their work with local partners. Special focus is placed on Swedish stakeholders such as Sweden's international aid agencies, Swedish political parties and Swedish civil society organisations that all have positioned themselves as global leaders in the area.

Course design

Teaching is conducted through digital lectures and 1-2 compulsory seminars. Absence from a compulsory component is to be compensated for with an assignment in accordance with the instructions of the lecturer.

The course is offered entirely as a distance learning course using an online learning platform and/or digital tools. Participants are required to participate under these conditions, and to have access to a computer with an internet connection as well as functioning speakers, microphone and web camera. The department will provide information about the technical requirements.

Assessment

Assessment of the course is based on a written assignment.

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

General requirements for university studies in Sweden

Further information

- The course is offered at the Division of Human Rights Studies, Department of History, Lund University.
- 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 current registration and information materials.

Subcourses in MRSL02, Democracy and Human Rights Promotion:
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Applies from V23

2301 Democracy and Human Rights Promotion, 5,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction