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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

MRSM14, Human Rights Studies: Field course, 30 credits

Mänskliga rättigheter: Fältkurs, 30 högskolepoäng

Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2019-05-09 to be valid from 2019-05-09, autumn semester 2020.

General Information

The course is a compulsory component of the Master's programme in Human Rights Studies. It is also offered as a freestanding course.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies

Human Rights Studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

A1F, Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- relate their academic skills to a field study
- account for and reflect on work with human rights in relation to varying conditions
- account for challenges in the relationship between human rights and the field study

Competence and skills

- use theories and methods to apply the skills in human rights they have acquired to the field study

- formulate a research issue and a project plan
- collect and compile material for a field study report and to write and present an advanced field study report

Judgement and approach

- adopting a scholarly approach, demonstrate awareness of, manage and make independent assessments of ethical issues, dilemmas and considerations raised by the field study
- critically assess the applicability of research, theories and methodology research to the implementation of a field study

Course content

The course consists of a field study in the form of internship at a workplace or an independent fieldwork assignment in Sweden or abroad. Human rights must form a substantial component of the duties involved. The course provides the students with the opportunity to relate their academic skills in human rights to practical work. The type of field study is to be selected based on the student's research interests. The choice must be approved by the course director. The student is to independently write a project description and a field study report and to present and communicate their findings in writing. During the field studies course, the student is to apply scientific methods and theories to the object of the fieldwork assignment or internship and critically assess and reflect on their own work.

Course design

The teaching consists of supervision at the Division of Human Rights Studies. Supervision is provided individually or in groups and can, if more practical, be offered remotely. Students who perform the field study as an internship will also receive guidance from a contact person at the host organisation. Students who perform a fieldwork assignment abroad must have a contact person at a university in the country concerned. Prior to the start of the field studies course, an agreement describing the content of the internship duties or the fieldwork assignment must be signed by the student, the Division of Human Rights Studies and, where relevant, the contact person. It is the student's responsibility to organise an internship and to finance any accommodation or travel caused by the fieldwork.

Assessment

Assessment is through a written project plan at the start of the course and a written field study report that is based on the completed field study. The report is to describe the assignment, the implementation and the findings, as well as include a self-evaluation of the student's own work.

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.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed 60 credits in the Master's programme in Human Rights Studies (HAMRS) or have a first-cycle degree in a humanities or social sciences subject including a degree project specialising in human rights, proficiency in English corresponding to English 6 from Swedish upper secondary school and have passed 60 second-cycle credits. Qualifications are assessed individually.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Division of Human Rights Studies, Department of History, 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 MRSM14, Human Rights Studies: Field course

Applies from H20

2001 Field course, 30,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass