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UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Social Sciences

## **PSPB14, Course 4: Jurisprudence for Psychologists, 5 credits**

*Kurs 4: Juridik för psykologer, 5 högskolepoäng*

First Cycle / Grundnivå

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by the board of the Department of Psychology on 2014-11-11 to be valid from 2015-08-31, autumn semester 2015.

### **General Information**

The course is a compulsory component of semester 3 of the Master of Science programme in Psychology.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish  
Some components may be in English.

### **Learning outcomes**

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

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- demonstrate knowledge of the legal system and about the laws and other judicial rules of relevance to the psychological profession, and explain and analyse the function and methods of the legal system
- demonstrate knowledge of judicial and ethical aspects of responsibility, skills and confidentiality

#### **Competence and skills**

- demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge of the legal system, laws of professional relevance and other judicial rules on concrete cases
- demonstrate the ability to identify ethical dilemmas in relation to the exercise of authority and jurisdiction

### **Judgement and approach**

- demonstrate an understanding of and analyse the interplay between legal and ethical rules and their implications for professional practice

## **Course content**

The aim of the course is to provide the future psychologists with knowledge of the system of legal rules that apply to the different areas of activity of psychologists and their implications for the professional practice of psychologists. The theme of the course is followed up and studied in increasing detail throughout the programme.

## **Course design**

The teaching consists of lectures and seminars. Participation in seminars is compulsory. Students who have been unable to participate due to circumstances such as accidents or sudden illness will be offered the opportunity to compensate for or re-take compulsory components during the same semester. This also applies to students who have been absent because of duties as an elected student representative. In the case of valid absence, students are responsible for contacting the course director.

## **Assessment**

The assessment is based on written tests in conjunction with the course, and on completed seminars and group presentations.

Three opportunities for examination are offered for written tests: a first examination and two re-examinations. Two further re-examinations on the same course content are offered within a year of a major change of the the course (e.g. change of the required reading). After this, further re-examination opportunities are offered but in accordance with the current course syllabus.

*Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.*

## **Grades**

Marking scale: Fail, Pass.

The grades awarded are Pass or Fail. For a grade of Pass, the student must have attained the learning outcomes stated for the course.

At the start of the course students are informed about the learning outcomes stated in the syllabus and about the grading scale and how it is applied in the course.

## **Entry requirements**

To be admitted to the course, students must be admitted to the Master of Science programme in Psychology and meet the requirements for progression described in the current programme syllabus.



## Subcourses in PSPB14, Course 4: Jurisprudence for Psychologists

Applies from H15

1401 Jurisprudence for Psychologists, 5,0 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass