



Faculty of Social Sciences

## PSYF65, Psychology: Personality Psychology, 7.5 credits

*Psykologi: Personlighetspsykologi, 7,5 högskolepoäng*  
First Cycle / Grundnivå

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### Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the board of the Department of Psychology on 2023-02-28 to be valid from 2023-03-01, autumn semester 2023.

### General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

*Language of instruction:* English

*Main field of studies*

Psychology

*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, the student shall be able to demonstrate

#### Knowledge and understanding

- knowledge of different personality theories and how the theories can be used to explain individual differences in thought, emotion and behaviour
- knowledge of the research methods used in personality psychology, as well as be able to account for the advantages, disadvantages and application areas of these methods

#### Competence and skills

- ability to identify, formulate, analyse and solve problems linked to the field of personality psychology
- ability to estimate, analyse and describe individual differences through psychological personality testing
- ability to communicate knowledge about personality psychology to different audiences

- ability to search for scientific information in personality psychology

### **Judgement and approach**

- ability to critically evaluate scientific information in personality psychology

## **Course content**

The course deals with the individual differences and different personality functions of adult individuals, which are viewed from different theoretical perspectives. The theories are presented together with a critical review of methods, testing and fields of application.

## **Course design**

The teaching consists of lectures, exercises and seminars. The group exercises and seminars are compulsory. Unless there are valid reasons to the contrary, participation 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. This also applies to students who have been absent because of duties as an elected student representative.

## **Assessment**

The assessment is based on written exams, exercises and seminars. Active participation is required for a Pass on the group exercises and seminars. Three opportunities for examination are offered in conjunction with the course: a first examination and two re-examinations. Two further re-examinations on the same course content are offered within a year of the end of the course. After this, further re-examination opportunities are offered but in accordance with the current course syllabus.

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, E, D, C, B, A.

The highest grade is A and the lowest passing grade is E. The grade for a non-passing result is Fail. The student's performance is assessed with reference to the learning outcomes of the course. For the grade of E the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of D the student must show satisfactory results. For the grade of C the student must show good results. For the grade of B the student must show very good results. For the grade of A the student must show excellent results. For the grade of Fail the student must have shown unacceptable results.

Group exercises/empirical application exercises are exempted from the grading scale above. The grades awarded for these components are Pass or Fail. For the grade of

Pass, the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of Fail the student must have shown unacceptable results.

The final grade on the course is based on a weighting of the grades on the modules in which an average is calculated for the modules with differentiated grades (in which A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2 and E=1). For a Pass (at least the grade of E) on the whole course, the student must have been awarded at least an E on all graded components and a Pass on all compulsory components.

## **Entry requirements**

General requirements and studies equivalent of courses Social Studies 1b or 1a1+1a2 from Swedish Upper Secondary School.

## Subcourses in PSYF65, Psychology: Personality Psychology

Applies from H23

- 2301 Personality Psychology, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A
- 2302 Seminars Personality Psychology, 0,0 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass