



Faculty of Social Sciences

PSYF69, Psychology: Personality Psychology, 7.5 credits

Psykologi: Personlighetspsykologi, 7,5 högskolepoäng

First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the board of the Department of Psychology on 2023-11-14. The syllabus comes into effect 2023-11-14 and is valid from the autumn semester 2024.

General information

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of study

Specialisation

Psychology

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.

Grades

Grading scale includes the grades: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
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To receive the grade of Pass for the whole course, at least the grade of Pass is required in all modules and components. To receive the grade of Pass with Distinction for the whole course, the grade of Pass with Distinction is required in a majority of the total credits for the course based on the modules/components that can apply the grades Fail/Pass/Pass with Distinction. At the start of the course, students are informed about the learning outcomes stated in the syllabus and the grading scale, and how it is applied in the course

Entry requirements

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