



Faculty of Social Sciences

RÄSN04, Sociology of Law: Internship in Sociology of Law, 15 credits

Rättssociologi: arbetslivspraktik, 15 högskolepoäng
Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by the board of the Division of Sociology of Law on 2019-12-10 and was last revised on 2019-12-11. The revised syllabus applied from 2019-12-12, autumn semester 2020.

General Information

The course is given as an elective course in the master's programme in Sociology of Law (SASOL) It can also be taken as an optional course.

Language of instruction: English

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

To pass the course, the student should show:

- * practical knowledge about activities and work procedures of the organisation where the internship takes place
- * understanding of the education in relation to the assignment that is carried out during the internship

Competence and skills

To pass the course, the student should show:

- * ability that critical and independent formulate a research problem concerning the subject of sociology of law,
- * ability to use appropriate theories and methods in conducting applied studies,
- * ability to within given time frames communicate research- and achieved learning outcomes to different types of receiver

* such skills that is required to independently work in qualified activities

Judgement and approach

To pass the course, the student should show:

* ability to identify needs of additional knowledge that can increase the skills in relation to the working life

Course content

The student spends 10 weeks in a for the course relevant organisation. During this time, the student is continuously active in the activities of the organisation, work with qualified assignments and carry out a smaller independent project. The student is guided and supported by a supervisor that has been appointed by the workplace, where the Internship takes place. 20 % of the Internship should be devoted to course work. For this work the student has a supervisor at the university.

Course design

The internship is carried out within the public or private sector or within an NGO in Sweden or abroad. During the internship, the student should carry out an independent working place assignment of relevance for Sociology of Law. The specific working place assignment can vary and can for example imply to carry out a smaller investigation or evaluation. The working place assignment is decided in consultation between student and the workplace. Furthermore, the student is to participate in the daily work of the host organisation and take part of varying duties supported by a placement supervisor.

It is the student's responsibility to arrange an internship and to finance travel and accommodation during the period of study. The student may not receive a salary from the host organisation. To become registered in the course, it is required that the supervisor of the internship and the main tasks have passed by course coordinator. Teaching is conducted through exercises in the form of web-based seminars. Participation in the teaching is compulsory.

The supervisor at the workplace makes a written assessment of the internship period. The assessment, that can be in Swedish or English, should contain information about the student's name, the name of the organisation, the period for placement, which type of assignments the student has worked with, and the quality of the student's work. The written documentation of the student's work is placed to the assessment.

The placement period runs for 10 weeks of which the teaching part includes 2 weeks. The practical training corresponds to 12 credits and the teaching part 3 credits. No later than 6 weeks before the internship begins the student should submit an internship plan that includes a description of the internship and the assignments that the student should work with during the internship. The internship plan should be approved by course coordinator. Before the internship is started, a tripartite agreement should be established between the workplace, the student and the university. In those cases where the student carry out an Erasmuspraktik, the internship plan is substituted by a so-called "Learning Agreement for Traineeship". After completed internship, the student should deliver a certificate from the workplace that certifies that the internship has been carried out according to the practice plan.

Assessment

Examination is continuously arranged through two (2) written assignments.

1. An introduction to, and description of the workplace and a description of the subject for the independent work.
2. An individual assignment

In connection with the course, three examinations been offered; a first examination and two re-examinations. Within a year after the end of the course are offered at least two additional examination sessions on the same course content. After this, further re-examination opportunities are offered but in accordance with the current course syllabus.

If a student fails to complete the internship he/she will be given another opportunity to complete it satisfactorily. In this case, the entire internship must be re- done. It is the student's own responsibility to find a new placement or continue for another period at the first internship placement.

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

Marking scale: Fail, Pass.

To obtain Pass on the course, the student must fulfill the learning objectives set 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

Admission to the course requires 45 credits of courses in the master's programme in criminal procedure (SASOL), including profile courses for the programme amounting to 30 credits and 15 credits courses in theory of science (7.5 credits) and research methods (7.5 credits) or the equivalent.

Further information

It is the student's own responsibility to find a suitable organisation for the internship, as well as to finance travels, housing etc. The arrangements made with the organisation and the supervisor must be approved by the programme management before the internship begins. Application for the course is made on a special form.