



Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology

RHIK13, History of Religions: Bachelor's Degree Project, 15 credits

Religionshistoria: Examensarbete för kandidatexamen, 15 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2016-05-23 and was last revised on 2024-09-04 by The Pro Dean of First and Second Cycle Studies at The Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology (U 2024/546). The revised syllabus comes into effect 2025-03-10 and is valid from the autumn semester 2025.

General information

The course is offered as a freestanding course and is offered as part of the Bachelor's programme in Religious Studies and Theology. It may be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of study

Religious Studies and Theology with specialization in History of Religions and Religious Behavioural Studies

History of Religions

Specialisation

G2E, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science

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Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- present specialised knowledge of the topic chosen for the degree project in the history of religions
- summarise the current research situation of the chosen issue

Competence and skills

- independently identify, formulate and solve an issue of a scholarly nature
- independently seek, collect, critically interpret and discuss the information that is relevant for the chosen research assignment
- apply relevant methods and theories to address the problem formulation
- present, discuss and analyse in writing different positions and arguments in good Swedish or English
- use a system of referencing and bibliographies accepted within the history of religions
- perform a critical review of another student's degree project

Judgement and approach

- make assessments informed by relevant disciplinary, societal and ethical aspects within the field of religious studies
- assess the role of knowledge within religious studies in society and the responsibility of people for how it is used
- assess and specify their need of further knowledge in religious studies

Course content

In the course, the student is to produce a Bachelor's degree project. The student chooses the specialisation of the project in consultation with the supervisor. The seminars in the course deal with different aspects of academic writing and how the different parts of the thesis can be designed.

Course design

The teaching consists of supervision and 8-10 compulsory seminars. Supervision is normally limited to the semester when the student was first registered on the course. Exceptions can be made if there are special grounds. If a student is absent from a seminar, a written make up assignment has to be submitted.

Assessment

The assessment is based on the degree project, the student's defence of their degree project at a seminar and critical review of a fellow student's degree project. If there is no degree project to critically review at the time of assessment, the examiner can take a decision to allow the student to produce a written critical review rather than an oral one.

Passed degree projects at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology can be registered in the LUP Student Papers database if the student so wishes. The student is responsible for uploading the passed degree project as a PDF file in LUP student papers.

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

Entry requirements

General eligibility and knowledge corresponding to History of Religions and Religious Behavioural Science: Method Course (RHBC13), 7.5 credits and History of Religions: Level 3 (RHIC13), 7.5 credits.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
2. It replaces RHIK10.
3. The course is module 3 of RHIK03.
4. 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.