

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

RHIX80, History of Religions:, 30 credits

Religionshistoria: Magisterkurs, 30 högskolepoäng Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the prodean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2008-03-03 to be valid from 2008-03-03, autumn semester 2008.

General Information

The course is offered as a single course. It can normally be included as part of a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Religious Studies

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

A1E, Second cycle, contains degree project for Master of Arts/Master of Science (60 credits)

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

• be able to demonstrate in-depth knowledge and understanding of the History of Religions, the Anthropology of Religions and the phenomenology of religion

Competence and skills

- be able to examine autonomously and critically sources of information, field work, literature and other applied scholarly methods
- be able to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scholarly communication and be able to follow the development of knowledge within the discipline of the History of Religions

- be able to use the accepted conventions of documentation and referencing at an advanced level
- be able to autonomously discern, formulate, and, from various perspectives, discuss scholarly problems and give suggestions to solutions, thereby demonstrating that he/she can apply a scholarly approach
- demonstrate a sound ability to examine critically his/her own texts and those of others and express him/herself orally and in writing, especially within scholarly genres

Judgement and approach

• be able to demonstrate a fundamentally critical approach towards various religious statements and expressions.

Course content

The course consists of two elective courses from within the discipline of the History of Religions and a third sub-course which sees the student compose and defend a degree thesis. The degree thesis can be written as a traditional essay, a description of a research project or as a preliminary study towards a doctoral dissertation.

The course consists of the following sub-courses:

- 1. Elective Course in the History of Religions, 7.5 credits,
- 2. Elective Course in the History of Religions, 7.5 credits,
- 3. Master (One Year) Thesis, 15 credits.

Course design

Teaching consists of seminars and tutoring.

Assessment

Examinations can take the forms of written and/or oral tests at the end of each subcourse, and continuous assessment in the form of home assignments, seminars, oral presentations and essays. The degree thesis is discussed and defended at a seminar. Students are also expected to give formal critique on the thesis of another student.

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.

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

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

To be awarded the grade of Pass on the whole course the student shall have at least the grade of Pass on all sub-courses. To be awarded a grade of Pass with Distinction on the whole course the student shall have the grade of Pass with Distinction on the degree thesis and at least a grade of Pass on all remaining credits.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course applicants must have successfully completed RHI541, The History of Religion 41-60 credits, RHIX60, or the equivalent.

Further information

- 1. The course replaces RHI561 The History of Religion 61-80 credits.
- 2. 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.
- 3. The sub-course names in Swedish:
 - 1. Valbar kurs i religionshistoria,
 - 2. Valbar kurs i religionshistoria,
 - 3. Examensarbete.

Subcourses in RHIX80, History of Religions:

Applies from H07

- 0701 Examination, 7,5 hpGrading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction0702 Examination, 7,5 hp
- Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction 0703 Examination, 15,0 hp
 - Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction