



**LUND**  
UNIVERSITY

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

## **SASH63, Swedish Politics - Past and Present, 7.5 credits**

*Swedish Politics - Past and Present, 7,5 högskolepoäng*

First Cycle / Grundnivå

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2012-06-20 to be valid from 2012-06-20, autumn semester 2012.

### **General Information**

Subject: History

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

*Language of instruction:* English

*Main field of studies*

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*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

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- be able to give a general account of the political system, the constitution and the political parties in Sweden, from both historical and contemporary perspectives
- be able to give an account of the political role of Sweden internationally in the 20th and 21st centuries
- be able to give a general account of Swedish policy concerning issues of social welfare, gender equality, refugees and diversity

### **Competence and skills**

- be able to present and discuss in speech and writing the development of Swedish politics in the 20th and 21st centuries from the perspectives of history and political science

### **Judgement and approach**

- be able to give a general account of Swedish political life from the perspectives of political science and history.

### **Course content**

The course provides the students with an introduction to Swedish politics. Topics discussed include the political system in general, the constitution, the government and the various Swedish political parties. Both historical and contemporary perspectives are taken. Emphasis is on the role of Sweden as a small country in a global context, and as a member of the European Union and the United Nations. Swedish attributes such as the "Swedish Model" and the policy of neutrality are analysed from a historical perspective as well as with reference to the present situation. Special attention is given to policies concerning issues of social welfare, gender equality, refugees and diversity.

### **Course design**

Teaching consists of lectures and seminars. Active participation at seminars is compulsory.

### **Assessment**

The assessment is based on participation in group exercises and seminars and on a written take-home exam. Other forms of examination may occur, if an agreement is reached with the students.

*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.

### **Entry requirements**

General requirements for university studies in Sweden

### **Further information**

1. The course replaces SAS120 and SASH17.
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. Priority is given to exchange students. Students are required to have good knowledge of written and spoken English.

## Subcourses in SASH63, Swedish Politics - Past and Present

Applies from V13

1201 Swedish Politics - Past and Present, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A