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UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Social Sciences

## **SGEL33, Human Geography: New Directions in Human Geography, 7.5 credits**

*Samhällsgeografi: Utvecklingslinjer inom samhällsgeografien, 7,5 högskolepoäng*

**First Cycle / Grundnivå**

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 2012-05-21 and was last revised on 2017-03-07 by the board of the Department of Human Geography. The revised syllabus applies from 2017-03-15, autumn semester 2017.

### **General Information**

The course is an elective course in the Bachelor's programme in Urban and Regional Planning, 180 credits. The student can choose a specialisation from two fields: Urban and Cultural Geography or Economic Geography.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish and English

*Main field of studies*

Human Geography

*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

### **Learning outcomes**

For a Pass on the course, students shall demonstrate

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- specialised knowledge within one of the fields of Urban and Cultural Geography or economic geography

### Competence and skills

- the ability to independently absorb and actively use texts within in one of the two fields of Urban and Cultural Geography or Economic Geography
- the ability to account for and discuss topics within Urban and Cultural Geography or Economic Geography, in speech and in writing
- skills in applying methods to find appropriate information
- the ability to select correct scientific referencing techniques
- the ability to independently seek relevant information, critically analyse and evaluate the information and its sources, and effectively communicate the results

### Judgement and approach

- the ability to make assessments in Human Geography informed by relevant disciplinary, societal and ethical issues.

### Course content

The course aims to provide students with advanced knowledge in one of the research domains of *Urban and Cultural Geography* or *Economic Geography*. The course is based on literature studies with a strong theoretical foundation, but also with connections to current community practice. The required reading consists partly of set literature according to a reading list and partly of literature chosen by the student. The specialisation studies can be used as a basis for the degree project in the final semester of the programme.

### Course design

Teaching consists of lectures and seminars. Unless there are valid reasons to the contrary, participation in the seminars is compulsory. An alternative form or date for compulsory components is offered to students who are not able to complete a compulsory component owing to circumstances beyond their control, e.g. accident, sudden illness or similar. This also applies to students who have been absent because of duties as an elected student representative.

### Assessment

The assessment is based on written and oral exams. It includes the teaching and required reading for the chosen specialisation. Students must pass all assessed components.

The assessment of Specialisation 1, *Urban and Cultural Geography*, is based on three written assignments and a written take-home exam.

The assessment of Specialisation 2, *Economic Geography*, is based on three written take-home exams.

Three opportunities for examination are offered in conjunction with the course: a first examination and two re-examinations. Within a year of the end of the course, two further re-examinations on the same course content are offered. After this, further re-examination opportunities are offered but in accordance with the current course syllabus.

*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 grade for a non-passing result is Fail. The student's performance is assessed with reference to the learning outcomes of the course. For the grade of E the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of D the student must show satisfactory results. For the grade of C the student must show good results. For the grade of B the student must show very good results. For the grade A, the student has demonstrated excellent results. For the grade of Fail the student will have shown unsatisfactory results.

Three written assignments in Specialisation 1 *Urban and Cultural Geography* are excluded from the aforementioned scale of grades. These course components are awarded the grade of Pass or Fail. For the grade of Pass, the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of Fail the student will have shown unsatisfactory results.

Specialisation 1, *Urban and Cultural Geography*; The final grade is determined by the student's result for the take-home exam.

Specialisation 2, *Economic Geography*: The final grade is determined by the student's combined results for the three take-home exams for which each take-home exam is weighted equally. The conversion of the grades for the components to a final grade for the course is based on a mathematical model, where the letter grades are translated according to the following: A=5.0 B=4.0 C=3.5 D=3.0 and E=2.5, and an average for the assessed components is then calculated. Figures are rounded down, except for the grade A where 4.5 and over is rounded up to an A.

At the start of the course students are informed about the learning outcomes stated in the syllabus and about the scale of grades and how it is applied in the course.

## Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed all the courses in the first year of the Bachelor's programme in Urban and Regional Planning and passed at least 45 credits of the second year, i.e. a total of at least 105 credits. An exemption may be granted if there are special reasons.

## Further information

The course may not be included in degree together with SGEK01 Human Geography: Bachelor Thesis, 30.0 credits SGEK02 Human Geography: Bachelor Thesis, 30.0 credits SGEK03 Human Geography: Bachelor Thesis, 30.0 credits SGEL14 Human geography: Trends in Human Geography, 7.5 credits SGEL17 Human Geography: Urban and Regional Dynamics, New Research Directions, 15.0 credits SGEL35 Human Geography: Urban and Regional Dynamics, New Research Directions, 15.0 credits SGEL55 Human geography: Urban and Regional Dynamics, New Research Directions, 15.0 credits This course replaces SGEL14 Human Geography: Trends in Human Geography, 7.5 credits

## Subcourses in SGEL33, Human Geography: New Directions in Human Geography

Applies from H12

1201 Human Geography: New Directions in Human Geography, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A