



Faculty of Social Sciences

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

Samhällsgeografi: Utvecklingslinjer inom samhällsgeografen, 7,5 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 2012-05-21 and was last revised on 2016-02-02 by the board of the Department of Human Geography. The revised syllabus applied from 2016-08-29, autumn semester 2016.

General Information

The course is an elective course (specialisation) on the fifth semester on the Bachelor of Science Programme in Urban and Regional Planning. The student can choose to specialize in either 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

Upon the completion of the course, the student shall demonstrate:

Knowledge and understanding

- specialized knowledge within one of the fields urban and cultural geography or economic geography,

Competence and skills

- ability to independently absorb and actively use texts within in one of the two fields urban and cultural geography or economic geography,
- ability to account for and discuss topics within urban and cultural geography or economic geography, in oral or written form,
- skills in applying methods to reach suitable information
- the ability to select correct scientific referencing techniques,
- ability to independently seek relevant information, critically analyse and evaluate the information and its sources, and effectively communicate the results,

Judgement and approach

- ability to make assessments in human geography informed by relevant disciplinary, societal and ethical issues.

Course content

The aim of the module is to provide the student with specialised knowledge within 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 specialised study can be used as a basis for the programme's concluding degree project.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and seminars. The learning outcomes are tested through written and oral examination. The examination include the teaching and literature from the course. The examination can include compulsory take-home exams. Unless there are valid reasons to the contrary, compulsory participation is required in the seminars. Students who have been unable to participate due to circumstances such as accidents or sudden illness will be offered the opportunity to compensate for or re-take compulsory components. 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 readings for the chosen specialisation. All assessed components must be passed.

Specialization Urban and cultural Geography, is assessed on the basis of three written assignments (graded pass-fail) and one written take-home exam (grading scale Failed, E, D, C, B, A).

Specialization Economic Geography, is assessed on the basis of three written take-home exams (grading scale Failed, E, D, C, B, A).

The course includes opportunities for assessment at a first examination, a re-sit close to the first examination and a second re-sit for courses that have ended during that school year. Two further re-examinations on the same course content are offered within a year of the end of the course. 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 highest grade is A and the lowest passing grade is E. 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 of A the student must show excellent results. For the grade failed, the student has shown unacceptable results.

Three written assignments in specialization urban and cultural geography are exempted from the grading scale above. The grades awarded for these components are Pass or Fail. For the grade of Pass, the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of Fail, the student must have shown unacceptable results.

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.

Calculation of course grade

Specialization Urban and cultural Geography: The grade on the module is determined by the student's grade on the take-home exam.

Specialization Economic Geography: The grade is determined by the student's result on the three written take-home exams. The exams are weighted equally.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed all the courses in the first year of the Bachelor of Science 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. Exemption can 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; SGEL17 Human geography: Urban and regional dynamics, new research specialisations, 15.0 credits; SGEL35 Human geography: Urban and regional dynamics, new research specialisations, 15.0 credits; SGEL55 Human geography: Urban and regional dynamics, new research specialisations, 15.0 credits. This course replaces SGEL14 Human geography: Trends in the 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