

SOCM13, Sociology: Master (One Year) Thesis, 15 credits

Sociologi: Examensarbete för magisterexamen, 15 högskolepoäng
Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 2011-11-17 and was last revised on 2011-11-17 by the board of the Department of Sociology. . The revised syllabus applied from 2012-01-19. , autumn semester 2016.

General Information

Course constitute degree project for Degree of Master (60 credits) in sociology.

Language of instruction: Swedish and English

Main field of studies

Sociology

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 should independently be able to

- identify and argue for what are central questions in sociology
- follow development and research in sociology
- identify and formulate general sociological issues to a great extent
- apply advanced qualitative and quantitative method
- carry out a critical review and put in others' works in a further theoretical perspective
- present overviews research situation and own work
- actively contribute with qualified contributions in subject relevant discussions both within and outside the university
- actively participate in development and change in a subject area
- make assessments of research and development, considering relevant scientific social and ethical aspects

- demonstrate an understanding of sociology's possibilities and limitations its role in society
- identify his need of additional knowledge and take responsibility for his knowledge development
- account for scientific communication and independently be able to supervise knowledge development in subject area

Course content

Course's aim is to give advanced knowledge in sociological theory and good proficiencies to participate in research and development or work in other qualified contexts.

The principal part of the course consists of the writing an academic paper. In essay part is placed strong emphasis at to independently identify and formulate a sociological issue and actively follow development and research in the field that issues concerns. In connection to this be organised seminars where critical review of another essay is included.

Course design

The supervisor provides the student with advice and views on the design of the degree project, but it is the student who is responsible for its completion. Author is alone responsible for degree project's implementation. The completed degree project is to be reviewed and discussed at an assessed seminar by a specially appointed critical reviewer.

Assessment

The assessment is mainly based on the quality of the finished degree project, but also to some extent on the student's defence of the project and critical review of a fellow student's project.

The degree project is to be registered in an Open Access database belonging to Lund University. The student choose forum for publication.

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 denoted with A and the lowest grade for a Pass with E. The grade for a no pass 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 of Fail the student must have shown unacceptable results.

Entry requirements

Degree of Bachelor in Sociology or the equivalent as well as course SOCN03 sociology: Classical and modern theory 15 credits or the equivalent and 15 credits social sciences method at second cycle level.

Further information

Course substitute SOCM11 Sociology: Degree Project for Degree of Master (60 credits), 15 credits.

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Subcourses in SOCM13, Sociology: Master (One Year) Thesis

Applies from V12

- 1101 Master Thesis, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A
- 1102 Discussant, 0,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass