

Faculty of Social Sciences

SOCN15, Sociology: Internship in Welfare Policies and Management, 15 credits

Sociology: Internship in Welfare Policies and Management, 15 högskolepoäng Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by the board of the Department of Sociology on 2011-11-17 and was valid from 2012-01-16, spring semester 2012.

General Information

This is an elective course offered to students within the programme Master of Science (120 credits) in Welfare Policies and Management.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies Depth of study relative to the degree

requirements

Sociology A1F, Second cycle, has second-cycle

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Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the student shall

- demonstrate a thorough practical knowledge about activities and work procedures of the organisation where the placement takes place
- demonstrate a deeper understanding of earlier parts of the education within the programme
- demonstrate an ability to critically, independently formulate a research problem concerning the management of welfare policies
- demonstrate an ability to use appropriate theories and methods in conducting applied studies
- communicate results of learning and research processes to different kinds of recipients within given time frames, both in writing and orally.

Course content

The student spends ten weeks in a relevant organisation and during this period is continuously engaged in its activities, working with qualified tasks related to welfare policies and management and conducts an independent study. The student is guided and supported by a supervisor appointed by the organisation in which the placement takes place.

Course design

The student's workplace supervisor makes an assessment of the placement in the form of a written statement in English or Swedish containing information about the name of the student, the name of the organisation, the time period of the placement, what kind of tasks the student has worked with, and the quality of his or her work. Written documentation of the student's work is added to the statement.

Assessment

The student writes an independent study of the organisation and its work practices in English, with explicit references to earlier parts of the education within the programme. The study is discussed and examined at a special seminar or at an individual session with the examiner. The student also presents a description of the placement and an abstract of the independent study at the website for the course.

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

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass.

Students are awarded one of the following grades: Pass or Fail. To receive Pass the student must fulfil the learning outcomes specified for the course.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course requires 60 credits of coursework within the programme Master of Science (120 credits) in Welfare Policies and Management, including profile courses for the programme amounting to 30 credits and 30 credits of courses in theory of science (at least 7.5 credits) and research methods (at least 15 credits).

Proficiency in English should be demonstrated in one of the following ways: previously completed university degree taught in English, IELTS score (Academic) of 6.5 (with none of the sections scoring less than 5.5), TOEFL paper-based score of 4.5 (scale 1-6) in written test and a total score of 575; internet-based score of 20 (scale 0-30) in written test and a total score of 90, Cambridge/Oxford – Advanced Certificate of Proficiency, or having received a passing grade in English course B (Swedish secondary school).

Further information

The syllabus was approved by the Department of Sociology on November 17th, 2011.

It is the student's own responsibility to find a suitable organisation for the placement, as well as to finance travels, housing etc. The arrangements made with the organisation and the supervisor should be approved by the programme management on a special form before the placement begins.

Should a student fail to complete the placement he/she will be given another opportunity to complete it satisfactorily. In this case, the entire placement must be redone. It is the student's own responsibility to find a new placement.

Subcourses in SOCN15, Sociology: Internship in Welfare Policies and Management

Applies from H11

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