



Faculty of Social Sciences

STVL04, Political Science: Internship in European Affairs, 30 credits

Statsvetenskap: Praktik i europeisk integration, 30 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by the board of the Department of Political Science on 2017-06-13 and was valid from 2017-06-13, autumn semester 2017.

General Information

This is an elective Political Science course that is offered to students within the master program in European Affairs, 120 credits. The language of instruction is English.

Main field of studies

Political Science

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

GXX, First cycle, in-depth level of the course cannot be classified

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the student shall show

Knowledge and understanding

thorough practical knowledge about activities and work procedures of the organisation in which the internship takes place,

Competence and skills

a good ability to relate academic skills to practical and work related assignments, e.g. the ability to apply theory to practice,

a good ability to apply scientific methods in a professional situation,

the ability to reflect on the relationship between the student's education and the experience from the internship, e.g. to identify the personal need of competence,

Judgement and approach

the ability to reflect on and take responsibility for the student's own work and learning process.

Course content

The purpose of the course is to prepare the student for a professional career by making it possible to relate academic skills to the requirements of a work place. With support from a supervisor at the work place, the student should work full time for 20 weeks with qualified tasks and participate and contribute to the work place on a daily basis. The nature of the work should have a connection to the content of the master's program in European Affairs. The internship can be in the public or the private sector, in Sweden or abroad.

Course design

Assessment

The assessment of the course is based on an internship report in which the student (1) describes the organization in which the internship takes place, (2) describes the nature of the student's work assignments, and (3) reflect on the relationship between the student's education and experiences from the internship. The student should also fill out and submit an evaluation of the internship. The person serving as the supervisor at the work place should submit a certificate in which the student's work assignments are described and the student's performance is assessed. In addition, the student should submit a written sample from the work that has been done during the internship. The internship report, the student's evaluation, the supervisor's certificate, and the work sample are examined at a special examination seminar at the department.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass.

Grades given are Pass or Fail. To be awarded Pass the student must fulfil the learning outcomes of the course.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course the student must have one year (60 credits) of coursework within the Master of Science (two years) in European Affairs.

Further information

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