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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

TLVC17, Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 3 A, 15 credits

Tros- och livsåskådningsvetenskap: Fördjupningskurs, 15 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2021-10-04 to be valid from 2021-10-04, spring semester 2022.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

It can be selected as a specialisation course in the Bachelor's programme in Religious Studies and Theology.

It can be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Religious Studies and Theology with specialization in Studies in Faiths and World Views

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

On completion of the course, the students shall be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- provide a structured account of major theoretical and methodological perspectives within current Studies in Faith and World Views
- account for the main currents of ideas, key issues and leading representatives of current Studies in Faith and World Views

- relate the study of faith and world views to current issues within religious studies, theology and society, and to a certain extent to present-day research and culture

Competence and skills

- independently explain and analyse the consequences of basic choices of methodology and subject matter in research within theology, philosophy of religion and ethics
- write and defend a re-examining text that combines current theoretical perspectives with a key issue in systematic theology, philosophy of religion or ethics
- present, analyse and discuss key issues in present-day Studies in Faith and World Views in speech and writing

Judgement and approach

- assess the possible implications of different philosophical, theological and ethical positions for church, society and individuals
- assess their studies in relation to theory discussions and research within Studies in Faith and World Views from a critical and exploratory perspective

Course content

The course enables students to specialise their knowledge and skills previously acquired within Studies in Faith and World Views. It starts with an introduction to relevant theories and methods in the subject area, strongly emphasising hermeneutic skills. This is followed by study of current movements and perspectives in the subject area. Throughout the course, students are prepared to independently and methodically address issues within the specialisation.

The course consists of three modules:

1. Theories and Methods in Studies in Faith and World Views, 5 credits
2. Contemporary Debates, 5 credits
3. Elective Specialisation, 5 credits

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and approximately six seminars. The student is expected to attend all seminars. Absence may be compensated for with a written assignment in accordance with the lecturer's instructions. Students who are absent from more than 50% of the seminars in the course will need to retake the course.

Assessment

The assessment of Module 1 is based on a written report in which the student analyses a philosophy of religion, systematic theology or ethics paper with a focus on theoretical and methodological choices.

The assessment of module 2 is based on the student's development of an argument for a position and participation in an oral debate, and a written analysis of a debate.

The assessment of Module 3 is based on a written research overview of a chosen issue in philosophy of religion, systematic theology or ethics.

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, Pass with distinction.

For a grade of Pass on the whole course, the student must have been awarded this grade on all modules. For a grade of Pass with Distinction on the whole course, the student must also have been awarded this grade for at least 10 of the course credits.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 2 (TLVB02/TLVB01) **or** Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 2 A (TLVB31/TLVD31) **or** Studies in Faith and World Views: Level 2 (TLVB33) **or** the equivalent.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
2. The course replaces TLVC15.
3. The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details, see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.
4. Module titles in Swedish:
 1. Teori och metod inom tros- och livsåskådningsvetenskap
 2. Aktuell debatt
 3. Valbar fördjupning