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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

TLVR47, Studies in Faith and World Views: The Philosophy of Religion - Second Cycle Course II, 15 credits

Tros- och livsåskådningsvetenskap: Religionsfilosofi - avancerad kurs II, 15 högskolepoäng
Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2014-08-14 to be valid from 2014-09-01, autumn semester 2014.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

It is included as an elective component of the Master's programme in Religious Studies and Theology specialising in Studies in Faith and World Views.

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

Language of instruction: English

The course is normally taught in English, but can also be taught in Swedish, provided there is a special agreement between the lecturer/s and the students.

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

A1F, Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- independently and critically account for and provide examples of theories and arguments within religious studies
- independently provide a detailed description of a couple fields within the philosophy of religion

Competence and skills

- manage large volumes of information within selected areas of the philosophy of religion and compile them into a synopsis that can be presented accessibly in speech and writing
- participate constructively in discussions of advanced problems within religious studies
- review and assess the validity of philosophical arguments in original texts
- independently formulate an individual positions on complex phenomena and contexts within the philosophy of religion
- apply different perspectives- of class, gender, ethnicity, intersectionality- to produce a nuanced analysis and review of philosophical problems
- present analyses, critiques and proposals to solutions of religio-philosophical problems in speech and writing to both a national and international target groups
- participate constructively in discussions of advanced problems within religious studies

Judgement and approach

- take a critical position in both speech and writing to both their own and others' arguments, conclusions and positions in a religio-philosophical discussion
- critically review and assess the role of the philosophy of religion in the academic and public debate and actively participate in these debates
- take responsibility for their own knowledge development through a critical self-assessment and active acquisition of knowledge within the philosophy of religion

Course content

On the basis of previously acquired knowledge, the student, in consultation with the lecturer, is to select two areas within the philosophy of religion for specialised study. The areas available for selection are:

1) Meaning and truth

2) The concept of faith

3) The concept of religion

4) Classical philosophy

5) Philosophy of language

6) Post-modern and feministic discourses

The course consists of the following modules:

1. Elective specialisation 1, 7.5 credits
2. Elective specialisation 2, 7.5 credits

Course design

The course mainly consists of independent text study. Teaching is provided in the form of an introductory planning session and supervisory follow-up.

After consultation with the student, the lecturer approves an individual reading list.

Assessment

Modules 1 and 2 are both assessed on the basis of oral and written presentations. At least one of the presentations on one of the modules should address a target group of international scholars in the form of, for example, a notice for a research journal, a conference paper or a research article.

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

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.
The grades awarded are Fail, Pass or Pass with Distinction.

To be awarded a grade of Pass on the whole course, the student must have been awarded this grade on both modules. To be awarded a grade of Pass with Distinction on the whole course, the student must have been awarded this grade on both modules.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, the student must have a Bachelor's degree and passed the following course: Studies in Faith and World Views: Second Cycle Course I, 15 credits (TLVR12 or TLVR11) or the equivalent.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
2. Module titles in Swedish: 1. Valfritt delområde 1. 2. Valfritt delområde 2.
3. The course replaces REVR47.
4. 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.
5. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in TLVR47, Studies in Faith and World Views: The Philosophy of Religion - Second Cycle Course II

Applies from H14

- 1401 Elective Specialisation 1, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 1402 Elective Specialisation 2, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction