



TSFS01, An International Perspective on Human Rights, Democracy and Governance, 7.5 credits

*Ett Internationellt perspektiv på mänskliga rättigheter, demokrati
och styrning, 7,5 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 2014-10-13 to be valid from 2014-10-13, autumn semester 2014.

General Information

The course is offered as a commissioned education.

Subject: Technology and social change.

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Main field of studies

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*Depth of study relative to the degree
requirements*

A1N, Second cycle, has only 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 basic account of the international discourse on legislation and democracy in support of human rights and the development of human rights
- account for human rights and the most important legislation governing them, specifically with regard to digital media and communication
- account for and use key concepts concerning human rights

- describe how human rights can contribute to social innovation in a context where digital media play an important role

Competence and skills

- use selected oral and written examples to discuss human rights in relation to social innovation and contemporary digital media
- analyse current information and political discussions concerning human rights
- identify problem areas within the theme of the course of relevance to social innovation and present-day digital media
- formulate a relevant issue with regard to the problem area in consultation with the actors concerned
- propose a solution adapted to the chosen issue
- present a proposed solution in a relevant form

Judgement and approach

- explain their choice of issue, problem and form of presentation
- evaluate the possibilities and limitations of human rights, explain their role in society and explain and argue for the responsibility of society and people for how they are used
- identify the personal need of further knowledge and take responsibility for their ongoing learning

Course content

The course focuses on a theoretical understanding of human rights on the basis of studies of international discussions of law and democracy and their development. It provides the participants with a historical perspective on the development of human rights and the laws that support human rights. The course adopts a historical perspective to deal with societal and social change, how to identify human rights and their potential. Furthermore, it addresses the potential of human rights in relation to the participants' own proposals for social innovation and projects of change.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures, seminars and scheduled group exercises. Attendance is compulsory at seminars and group exercises.

The course is offered partially as a distance learning course and makes use of an online learning platform and/or digital tools. It presupposes that students who enrol on the course understand these conditions and have access to a computer with internet connection. Further information regarding technical requirements is available from the department.

The course also includes components requiring the physical presence of participants.

Assessment

The assessment is based on ongoing assignments and a project presentation.

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.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, participants must have a Bachelor's degree in an optional subject.

Further information

1. The course is offered at the Centre for Work, Technology and Social Change (WTS) at Lund University
2. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.
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.

Subcourses in TSFS01, An International Perspective on Human Rights, Democracy and Governance

Applies from H14

1401 An International Perspective on Human Rights, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction