

UNDD01, Intelligence Analysis: Intelligence Cooperation in an Uncertain World, 3 credits

Underrättelseanalys: Underrättelsesamarbete i en osäker värld, 3 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the board of the Department of Political Science on 2025-01-29. The syllabus comes into effect 2025-01-29 and is valid from the autumn semester 2025.

General information

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of study Specialisation

Intelligence Analysis	G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements
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Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how national and international intelligence cooperation is conducted,
- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of a range of intelligence methods,
- demonstrate knowledge of signals intelligence,

Competence and skills

- demonstrate the ability to critically discuss and apply theories of intelligence cooperation at both international and national levels,
- demonstrate the ability to apply a range of intelligence methods to design specific analyses,

Judgement and approach

- demonstrate the ability to independently take responsibility for their own learning process by actively participating in discussions and different assignments,
- contribute to a common learning environment and group dynamic aspects of learning.

Course content

The course covers international intelligence cooperation between different states, as well as intelligence cooperation at national level between various types of authorities and corresponding stakeholders. Particular emphasis is placed on international intelligence cooperation in signals intelligence. In order to provide students with a slightly broader and more interdisciplinary base, reflecting the breadth of intelligence analysis as a subject, the course also includes a component aimed at providing students with basic knowledge of how signals intelligence works at a technical level. In addition to signals intelligence as an example of information gathering, the course will also cover a selection of intelligence methods as an example of how gathered information can be analysed. The course will also address different perspectives on how intelligence activities and cooperation can be understood in relation to democratic values.

Course design

Teaching is conducted in the form of lectures and online assignments carried out remotely, combined with problem-based seminar exercises carried out on site.

Unless there are valid reasons to the contrary, participation in the course introduction and seminars is compulsory. Students who have been unable to participate due to circumstances beyond their control such as accidents, sudden illness or similar events will be offered the opportunity to compensate for or resit compulsory components. This also applies to students who have missed teaching sessions due to work as a student representative.

Assessment

The assessment of the student's performance is based on an examination portfolio, where the student is given the opportunity to combine different assignments of varying scope. These tasks include both more traditional written analyses and more visually oriented presentations.

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

Grading scale includes the grades: Fail, Pass
The grades awarded are Pass or Fail.

The student's results are assessed based on the learning outcomes of the course. For the grade of Pass, the student must show adequate results. For the grade of Fail, the student has shown inadequate results.

At the start of the course, the students are informed about the learning outcomes stated in the syllabus and the grading scale and how this is applied during the course.

Entry requirements

General requirements and studies equivalent of course English 6 from Swedish Upper Secondary School.