



**LUND**  
UNIVERSITY

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

## **ÖCKB15, Contemporary Ukraine: Perspectives on Politics, Society, Culture and History, 7.5 credits**

*Contemporary Ukraine: Perspectives on Politics, Society, Culture  
and History, 7,5 högskolepoäng*  
First Cycle / Grundnivå

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2022-04-21 to be valid from 2022-04-21, spring semester 2022.

### **General Information**

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

*Language of instruction:* English

*Main field of studies*

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*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

### **Learning outcomes**

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

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- describe, at a general level, key events and processes in Ukrainian history and the development of Ukrainian culture and identity
- describe, at a general level, essential aspects of state and nation-building in post-Soviet Ukraine
- place political, cultural and social processes in Ukraine within a broader regional and European perspective

### **Competence and skills**

- interpret and critically review research literature about Ukraine
- in writing, analyse and independently discuss key processes in Ukraine's modern history as well as its cultural and identity-related development
- explain the main processes that led to war in Ukraine,

### **Judgement and approach**

- in a critical way, apply different approaches, theories and constructs about Ukrainian society and culture
- critically relate to the knowledge content of the course and identify the need to obtain further knowledge
- critically assess different narratives about the war in Ukraine.

### **Course content**

The course covers the Ukrainian society of today from political, cultural and identity-related perspectives against a solid historical background that illuminates how Ukrainian culture, identity and agency have emerged in the linguistic and religious borderlands of the Russian, Hapsburg and Ottoman empires. The course focuses particularly on state and nation-building in post-Soviet Ukraine since 1991 in a larger regional context and places a strong emphasis on identifying the factors that led to Russia's war against Ukraine.

### **Course design**

The course is offered as a distance learning course and uses an online learning platform and/or digital tools and resources. The student is required to participate on these terms and have access to a computer with an internet connection. The teaching consists of recorded lectures that are made available successively during the course. The lectures use the required reading as a starting point and are thematically focused on specific issues.

### **Assessment**

The assessment is based on a take-home exam.

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.

*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**

General requirements for university studies in Sweden

## **Further information**

1. The course is offered by the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
2. 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.
3. For further details, see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in ÖCKB15, Contemporary Ukraine: Perspectives on Politics,  
Society, Culture and History

Applies from V22

2201 Contemporary Ukraine: Perspectives on Politics, Society, Cul, 7,5 hp  
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