

Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology

ÖCKB16, Politics, Society and Identity in Russia, Ukraine and other Post Soviet States, 7.5 credits

Politik, samhälle och identitet i Ryssland, Ukraina och andra postsovjetiska stater, 7,5 högskolepoäng

First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The Pro Dean of First and Second Cycle Studies at The Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2024-06-24 (U 2024/479). The syllabus comes into effect 2024-09-02 and is valid from the spring semester 2025.

General information

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

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of study Specialisation

Central and Eastern European G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry

Studies requirements

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- account for basic features of the Post-Soviet development in Russia and Ukraine, and to a lesser extent, other Post-Soviet states based on aspects of politics, culture, and identity
- reflect on theoretical perspectives of relevance to the subject concerning national identity, political legitimacy, and individual and collective memory processes

Competence and skills

 provide a general description and discussion of the development of politics, culture and identity in Russia, Ukraine and, to a lesser extent, other Post-Soviet states

Judgement and approach

- within the scope of the study of Post-Soviet cultural and societal development, reflect on broad socially relevant cultural-theoretical problems concerning identity, political legitimacy and communication
- critically asses the construction of regional and national identities

Course content

The course deals with the development in Russia, Ukraine and other post-Soviet states after the dissolution of the Soviet Union in 1991 with a focus on politics, identity and society. The course provides a short background to 20th century Soviet history, but focuses on an overview of the post-Soviet political development highlighting key thematic fields such as nation-building, memory politics, migration, security policy and identity formation.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and compulsory seminars (6-7). Absence from compulsory components can be compensated for in accordance with the lecturer's instructions.

Assessment

The assessment of the course is based on 6-7 written assignments supplemented by oral discussions.

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, Pass with distinction To receive a Pass grade, a Pass grade is required on all examination components. To receive a Pass with Distinction in the course, a Pass with Distinction is required on at least 4 assignments.

Entry requirements

General requirements

Further information

- 1. The course is offered at 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. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation