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UNIVERSITET

Samhällsvetenskapliga fakulteten

STVC55, Statsvetenskap: Governance i miljöpolitiken, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Political Science: Environmental Governance, 7.5 credits

Grundnivå / First Cycle

Fastställande

Kursplanen är fastställd av Statsvetenskapliga institutionens styrelse 2011-11-08 och senast reviderad 2025-10-15. Den reviderade kursplanen träder i kraft 2026-01-19 och gäller från och med vårterminen 2026.

Allmänna uppgifter

This course in Political Science is offered to undergraduate and exchange students at Lund University. Lectures and seminars are conducted in English, and examination papers are written in English.

Undervisningsspråk: Engelska

Huvudområde Fördjupning

Statsvetenskap G2F, Grundnivå, har minst 60 hp kurs/er på grundnivå som förkunskapskrav

Kursens mål

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

Kunskap och förståelse

- an understanding of key issues in the study of environmental politics and governance
- knowledge of key theories, frameworks, and methods used in the study of environmental politics

Färdighet och förmåga

- the ability to compare and reflect on key theories and frameworks used in the study of environmental politics
- the ability to apply the discussed theoretical and methodological tools in empirical studies of environmental issues

- the ability to present her/his analysis in written and oral form that corresponds to academic standards.

Värderingsförmåga och förhållningssätt

- the ability to contribute to a common learning environment and to group dynamic aspects of learning.

Kursens innehåll

The aim of the course is to introduce students to the realm of environmental politics as a topic of scientific inquiry. It is designed for students who have basic knowledge of environmental issues and a broader knowledge of political science theory and methods. The course begins by conceptualising the environment as a political issue. It then introduces different strands of environmental political thought, presents policy processes and policy instruments used in environmental governance, and provides an overview of global environmental governance institutions. Following each lecture, there will be a seminar in which students work more deeply with the assigned literature and with the topics discussed in the lectures. To give the students an impression of the diversity inherent to environmental politics, the course covers a range of empirical cases at local, national and international governance levels. It discusses actors, institutions, policies, and their interaction with each other, and importance in the political process. In parallel to the empirical cases, the course also introduces a set of theories and analytical frameworks that are commonly used to study environmental politics, and discusses their application in scientific as well as policy relevant contexts.

Kursens genomförande

The course consists of a series of lectures and seminars. In addition to the regular examinations, two extra examinations will be organised each term. Unless there are valid reasons to the contrary, compulsory participation is required in seminars. Students who have been unable to participate due to unforeseen circumstances, accidents or sudden illness will be offered the opportunity to compensate for or re-take compulsory components. This also applies to students who have been absent because of duties as an elected student representative.

Kursens examination

The assessment of the course is based on oral presentations, active participation in seminars and a concluding exam. In addition to the first examination, two extra examinations will be organised each term. 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.

Om så krävs för att en student med varaktig funktionsnedsättning ska ges ett likvärdigt examinationsalternativ jämfört med en student utan funktionsnedsättning, så kan examinator efter samråd med universitetets avdelning för pedagogiskt studentstöd fatta beslut om alternativ examinationsform för berörd student.

Betyg

Betygsskalan omfattar betygsgraderna: U=Otillräckligt, E=Tillräckligt, D=Tillfredsställande, C=Bra, B=Mycket bra, A=Utmärkt

The grades awarded are A, B, C, D, E or Fail. The highest grade is A and the lowest passing grade is E. The grade for a non-passing result is Fail. The student's performance is assessed with reference to the learning outcomes of the course. For the grade E the student must show acceptable results. For the grade of D the student must show satisfactory results. For the grade of C the student must show good results. For the grade of B the student must show very good results. For the grade of A the student must show excellent results. For the grade of Fail the student must have shown insufficient results.

The concluding exam constitutes 40 percent of the grade, the oral presentations constitutes 35 percent of the grade, and the written assignments and active participation in seminars constitutes 25 percent of the grade.

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

Förkunskapskrav

To be eligible for the course the student must have the equivalence of one year (60 credits) of coursework in Political Science.