



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Arts and Humanities  
Department of Cultural Sciences

1BO115 Biblioteks- och informationsvetenskaplig metod I, 7,5  
högskolepoäng

Library and Information Science: Methodology I, 7.5 credits

### **Main field of study**

Library and Information Science

### **Subject Group**

Library and Information Science

### **Level of classification**

First Level

### **Progression**

GIN

### **Date of Ratification**

Approved 2010-02-02

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2014

### **Prerequisites**

General entry requirements.

## Objectives

After completing the course, the student should be able to:

- show an overall understanding of different research methods within the social sciences relevant for the subject library and information science,
- account for techniques used in research methods within the social sciences, and their application within library and information science,
- apply techniques used in research methods within the social sciences,
- discuss problems concerning research ethics,
- apply basic knowledge about writing reports.

## Content

The course includes an introduction to research techniques used in both qualitative and statistical research methods. During the course the students work with techniques and practical exercises as preparation for practical exercises during their field studies. The course also provides an introduction to research ethics. During the course the students write short reports and texts in order to practice basic skills in writing reports. The seminars, as well as all practical parts, are compulsory.

## Type of Instruction

Teaching is in the form of lectures, group discussions and compulsory seminar exercises

in which the students present and discuss their assignment results. An online study environment is used in the teaching.

### Examination

The course is assessed with the grades Fail (U) or Pass (G).

In order to receive the grade of Pass, the intended learning outcomes must be achieved.

The course is examined through oral and written tests and presentations of compulsory assignments. Presentations are given both individually and in groups. A retake examination is provided within six weeks (within the framework of regular semesters).

### Course Evaluation

At the end of the course, a course evaluation is conducted and compiled into a report, which is made available to students and filed according to departmental regulations.

### Required Reading and Additional Study Material

#### Required reading

Om forskningsetik. Codex: Regler och riktlinjer för forskning. [URL: <http://www.codex.vr.se/forskningsetik.shtml>] The web site and its subsections are read with focus on research within the humanities and social sciences and research that involves people.

Kvale, Steinar. (latest edition). *Den kvalitativa forskningsintervjun*. Studentlitteratur. 306 p.

Rienecker, Lotte & Stray Jörgensen, Peter. (latest edition). *Att skriva en bra uppsats*. Liber. 284 p.

Trost, Jan & Hultåker, Oscar. (latest edition). *Enkätboken*. Studentlitteratur. 168 p.

Material provided by the department. Approximately 150 p.