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Linnæus University



Course syllabus

Faculty Board of Business, Economics and Design School of Design

1DI206 Produktdesign/Metoder II, 3 högskolepoäng 1DI206 Product Design/Methods II, 3 credits

Main field of study

Design

Subject Group

Design

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G1F

Date of Ratification

Approved 2009-11-19 Revised 2011-06-14 by School of Design. The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2011

Prerequisites

At least 52 credits in Design, or the equivalent

Objectives

After completing the course students are expected to have acquired knowledge and experience of approaches and methods that are relevant to design work of various kinds. Students are also expected to be able to reflect on design processes at large.

Knowledge and Understanding

Students are expected to be able to

- demonstrate deepened knowledge of and skills in choosing methods in relation to commission and context, and
- reflect on how different approaches are expected to provide different knowledge of different aspects of the commission, and
- critically examine the result of using different methods.

Ability and Skills

Students are expected to be able to

- · implement a great number of relevant design methods, and
- account for their reflections from the various perspectives involved in the methods.

Evaluation and Attitude

Students are expected to be able to

 critically examine and account for the relation of different design methods to one another

Content

Methods and methodological approaches to product design.

Type of Instruction

The teaching consists of lectures, individual project work, workshops and supervision. Attendance is mandatory in scheduled course elements.

Examination

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

For the Pass grade the expected study outcome must be fulfilled.

The examination takes the form of workbook presentations. The assessment is based on the five workbook dimensions, each of which may render 1-7 credits. The grades used are Pass with Distinction (28-35 credits), Pass (13-27 credits), or Fail (0-12 credits)...

Re-examination is offered within six weeks in the framework of regular term periods. The number of examination opportunities is limited to five.

Course Evaluation

Towards the end of the course a course evaluation is conducted in accordance with the Linnaeus University guidelines. The evaluation result is compiled in a course report which is kept in the archives of the School of Design administrator and is discussed in the programme advisory committee. The result of the evaluation and any measures taken are communicated to the course coordinator and presented to the students on the next course occasion.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Mandatory literature

Jordan, P. (2000) *Designing pleasurable things*. London: Taylor & Francis. ISBN: 9780748408443

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Lawson, Bryan (1997) *How designers think : the design process demystified*, Oxford, UK

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