Linnæus University

Course syllabus

Faculty Board of Humanities and Social Sciences School of Cultural Sciences

1HI500 Kvinnor, familj och arbete, 7,5 högskolepoäng Women, family and work, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

History

Subject Group

History

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G₁N

Date of Ratification

Approved by the Board of the School of Cultural Sciences 2009-12-14

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2011

Prerequisites

General entry requirements.

Expected learning outcomes

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

- describe, explain and reflect on how preconceived notions and ideas concerning gender affected the identity and economic freedom of action of wives,
- demonstrate knowledge about the economic identity, position and freedom of action of Swedish wives in the family and in society,
- demonstrate ability to analyse and reflect in writing the themes in focus in the course from a gender perspective.

Content

The course includes a general introduction to preconceived notions of a Swedish wife's economic identity and position in a family and in society from around 1920 to present days. Large parts of the course discuss the economic identity and position of wives and how this was discussed and described in the Marriage Act and several political debates concerning a wife's right to work from the 1920s to the 1950s. The course emphasises analyses of ideas about how gender affected a wife's economic freedom of action and expected behaviour.

Type of Instruction

Teaching may be in the form of independent studies and net based discussions.

Examination

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

In order to pass the course, students need to meet the expected learning outcomes. Examination occurs through home assignments and active participation at discussion via the web platform.

A resit is offered within six weeks (within the framework of regular terms) and the number of resits is limited to five (in accordance with the Higher Education Ordinance 6 chap. 21§).

Course Evaluation

When the course has finished, an evaluation is compiled. The results are reported back to students and then archived according to the rules of the School.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Carlsson Wetterberg, Christina & Jansdotter, Anna (ed.) *Genushistoria*. *En historiografisk exposé*. Lund: Studentlitteratur, 2004. 272 p

Frangeur, René. Yrkeskvinna eller makens tjänarinna? Striden om yrkesrätten för gifta kvinnor i mellankrigstidens Sverige. Lund: Arkiv förlag, 1998. 327 p

Melby, Kari, Pylkkänen, Anu, Rosenbeck, Bente & Carlsson Wetterberg, Christina. *Inte ett ord om kärlek: äktenskap och politik i Norden ca 1850–1930.* Göteborg: Makadam förlag, 2006. 415 p

Östberg, Kjell. *Efter rösträtten. Kvinnors utrymme efter det demokratiska genombrottet.* Eslöv: Symposium, 1997. 196 p

Additional material, articles etc. approx. 200 pages.