



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences
Department of Social Work

1JU600 Introduktion till rättssystemet samt socialrätt, 15
högskolepoäng

Introduction to the Legal System and Social Law, 15 credits

Main field of study

Legal Science

Subject Group

Law and Legal Studies

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

GIN

Date of Ratification

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The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2015

Prerequisites

General entry requirements and Civics A, Mathematics B or Civics 1b / 1a1 +1a2,
Mathematics 2a / 2b / 2c (Field-specific entry requirements 5/A5).

Objectives

Upon completion of the course the student shall:

- Be able to differentiate the legal system from other normative systems, as well as be able to present the fundamental features of the Swedish legal system and legal doctrines.
- Be able to identify legal issues relevant to social work.
- Be able to apply juridical methods to solve the relevant legal problems.
- Be able to present juridical arguments for and against different legal solutions, both spoken and in writing.
- Be able to apply a sociology of law and diversity perspective to legal matters.

Content

The course contains the following components:

Module 1:

The structure and democratic roots of the legal system.

Sources of law, juridical methods, aspects of the sociology of law.

The legal status of physical entities, including regulations for trustees and administrators.

Sweden's relationship to EU law and conventions on human rights.

Orientation in contractual and consumer law regulations.
Basic labour, criminal, family and housing legislation.

Module 2:

Particular features of social law, such as constructions of framework and rights.
The specific responsibilities held by social services for people with various forms of functional impairments, older people, people with addictions, children, young people and families as well as victims of crime.
Basic health and medical law.

Type of Instruction

Teaching consists of lectures and seminars. Students will also work with searching for legal source materials as well as analysing and working with authentic cases.

Examination

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

The examination for Module 1 consists of a written examination that takes place in an examination hall and is worth 6 credits, as well as active participation in the seminars, worth 1.5 credits. The grades Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG) can be obtained for the written examination and Fail (U) or Pass (G) for participation in the seminars.

The examination for Module 2 consists of a written examination that takes place in an examination hall and is worth 6 credits, as well as active participation in the seminars, worth 1.5 credits. The grades Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG) can be obtained for the written examination and Fail (U) or Pass (G) for participation in the seminars.

The course grade is a weighting of the results from the different examinations. To be awarded the grade of Pass with Distinction (VG) for the overall course, it is necessary to obtain a grade of Pass (G) for the seminars and Pass with Distinction (VG) for both written examinations.

Course Evaluation

A course evaluation will be conducted at the end of the course. The evaluation follows the department's web-based course evaluation template. The course evaluation will be collated and returned to the students by the course coordinator. The collated evaluation will be archived in accordance with departmental regulations.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Hollander Anna & Alexius Borgström (eds.). *Juridik och rättsvetenskap i socialt arbete*. Studentlitteratur, (latest edition). Selected reading: chapters 1, 3 and 9.

Lehrberg, Bert. *Praktisk Juridisk metod*. Institutet för Bank- och Affärsjuridik, (latest edition), (approx 250 pages).

Lundberg K & Rother-Schirren J, et al.. *Juridik- civilrätt, straffrätt, processrätt*. Bonniers, (latest edition), (approx. 580 pages).

Lundgren Lars & Thunved Anders. *Nya sociallagarna*. Norstedts Juridik, (latest edition), (approx. 625 pages).

Staa Annika, Wendel Lotta & Zanderin Lars. *Hälso- och sjukvårdsrätt - en introduktion för professionsutbildningar*. Liber, (latest edition), (approx. 156 pages).

Conventions on Human Rights.

Statue book (free choice of publisher), latest edition.

Additional legal cases, articles and other course material will be used.