



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Criminology and Police Work

1PA05U Droger, missbruk och psykisk ohälsa, 6,5 högskolepoäng

Drugs, substance abuse and mental disorder, 6.5 credits

**Main field of study**

Police Work

**Subject Group**

Other Subjects within Social Science

**Level of classification**

First Level

**Progression**

G1F

**Date of Ratification**

Approved 2020-03-04

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2020

**Prerequisites**

A minimum of 10 credits in Police Work, first cycle.

### Objectives

Upon completion of the course, students shall be able to:

- account for the most common narcotic drugs and the associated signs and symptoms
- account for the most common mental illnesses and neuropsychiatric disorders
- apply an adequate, ethical and tactical treatment and approach in relation to people who suffer from mental illness, neuropsychiatric disorders and/or who are under the influence of drugs
- conduct and account for the legal measures taken when being confronted with mental health disorders, drugs and substance abuse
- describe comorbidity, the correlation between mental health disorders and substance abuse, and account for crime prevention within the police in relation to this aspect.

## Content

The course initially provides basic knowledge of the most common narcotic drugs used, and the effect these have on the human body. Harmful products and doping are also discussed. Relevant legislation is addressed, as well as the police investigation procedures concerning crimes related to narcotics, harmful products and doping drugs.

The course provides basic knowledge of diagnoses and neuropsychiatric disorders related to the concept of mental ill-health/mental disorder.

Furthermore, the concept of comorbidity is also discussed, for instance the correlation between substance abuse and mental ill-health, and the general view on how drugs and substance abuse may be related to crime prevention within the police.

Relevant legislation is put in relation to treatment and communication when approaching individuals who suffer from mental health disorders. Special emphasis is placed on the interfaces between law, tactical approach and treatment of individuals who suffer from mental health disorders and/or substance misuse issues.

## Type of Instruction

Teaching take place through base group work, supervision, lectures and practical application. Practical elements are trained by the use of demonstrations, practical exercises, supervision, films and lectures.

## Examination

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

Examination of the course takes place by means of a practical exercise and a written exam.

In order to receive a grade of Pass in the course, students are required to attain the intended learning outcomes in both examinations. To be awarded a grade of Pass with Distinction in the course, it is required that the written exam is assessed as Pass with Distinction.

A retake of the examination is provided in accordance with the Local Regulations for First-Cycle and Second-Cycle Courses and Examination at Linnaeus University.

Should the university determine that a student is entitled to special educational support due to impairment, the examiner may provide the student with an adapted test or the student may carry out the examination in an alternative way.

## Course Evaluation

A course evaluation is carried out either during or at the end of the course. Results and analysis of the evaluation are presented to the students who have completed the course as well as to new students at the following course date. The course evaluation is conducted anonymously.

## Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Allgulander, Christer. (Latest edition). *Introduktion till klinisk psykiatri*. Studentlitteratur, AB, Lund. (286 p.)

Berggren, Nils Olof & Munck, Johan. (Latest edition). *Polislagen: En kommentar*. Stockholm: Norstedts Juridik, (41 p.)

Engdahl, Oskar, Lindgren, Sven-Åke. (2017). *Varför begår människor brott? Samhälls- och beteendevetenskapliga svar på kriminologins grundfråga*. Studentlitteratur AB Lund. (300 p.) ISBN 9789144118963.

Johnson Björn, Richert Torkel, Svensson Bengt. (2017). *Alkohol- och*

*narkotikaproblem*. Studentlitteratur AB, Lund. (381 p.) ISBN 9789144112381.

Josefsson, Tord. (2019/20). *Författningssamling i polisrätt*. Stockholm: Wolters Kluwer. (856 p.) ISBN 9789139209096.

Rask, Mikael, Kronkvist, Ola, Åberg, Jonas. (2006). "Polisers bemötande av personer med psykiatriska problem". Agevall, Lena, Jenner, Håkan. (Eds.) *Bilder av polisarbete: Samhällsuppdrag, dilemman & kunskapskrav*. Växjö: Växjö University Press, (17 p.) ISBN 9176365026.

Svenska Carnegie Institutet och Svenska Narkotikapolisföreningen. (Latest edition). *Narkotika, dopningsmedel och hälsofarliga varor*. Mediahuset, Göteborg, (64 p.)

Zila, Josef. (2019). *Specialiststraffrätten: en introduktion*. Stockholm: Norstedts Juridik AB. (103 p.) ISBN: 9789139208914.

FAP 2612, *Föreskrifter och allmänna råd om Förenklad delgivning enligt 3b§ delgivningslagen* (RPSFS 2013:6). (4 p.)

FAP 4203, *Föreskrifter och allmänna råd om provtagning vid misstanke om bruk av narkotika och drograttfylleri* (RPSFS 2006:1). (10 p.)

Filmer och textmaterial från Polisens nationella utbildningskoncept i Psykisk ohälsa (2018). (17 p.)

Lag (1991:1969) om förbud mot vissa dopningsmedel.

Lag (1999:42) om förbud mot vissa hälsofarliga varor.

Lag (2011:111) om förstörande av vissa hälsofarliga missbrukssubstanser.

Lag (1988:870) om vård av missbrukare i vissa fall.

Lag (1991:1128) om psykiatrisk tvångsvård (LPT)

Narkotikastrafflag (1968:64)

Polislagen (1984:387)

Socialtjänstlag (2001:453)