



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Criminology and Police Work

1PA12U Introduktion till sekuritetskunskap, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Introduction to security knowledge, 7.5 credits

**Main field of study**

Police Work

**Subject Group**

Other Subjects within Social Science

**Level of classification**

First Level

**Progression**

G1N

**Date of Ratification**

Approved by Faculty of Social Sciences 2020-11-11

The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2021

**Prerequisites**

General entry requirements.

### Objectives

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

- account for principles for systematic security management
- account for principles for the basis of intelligence analysis
- explain different communication models and their signification
- explain the basic factors within the field of interpersonal relations
- account for how the decision-making process may be impacted by uncertainty
- account for how the organisational culture may impact the safety
- critically reflect on the differences between safety and security.

## Content

The course covers the subject of security knowledge, with the emphasis on the principles for systematic security management, event management in a communication perspective, organisational cultures and interpersonal relations, decision-making and the basis of intelligence analysis.

The course consists of the following components:

### **Security management**

- fundamental differences between safety and security
- disciplinary research domains concerning security and safety
- principles and models for systematic security management
- organisation and differences in safety work and security management
- design of policies for security and safety

### **Event management**

- communication models for event management
- robust and adaptive communication
- the important aspects during an ongoing event
- internal and external communication

### **Decision-making**

- models for and theories of decision-making
- uncertainty and ambiguity

### **Organisational cultures**

- what is climate and culture?
- how are safety culture and security culture related?
- working with security culture

### **Interpersonal relations**

- identification and constructive management of conflicts
- methods for preventing conflicts between individuals
- silent and psychological violence
- dark personality traits

### **The basis of intelligence analysis**

- patterns
- sources
- working methods
- analysis methods

## Type of Instruction

Teaching consists of lectures, base group work, seminars and practical application.

## 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 written assignment (comprising 5 credits) and two seminars (comprising 2.5 credits).

To be eligible for the examination, the student must have completed the following courses:

in order to receive a grade of Pass in the course, the student must clearly demonstrate that the objectives of the course are attained through the objectives given above. For a grade of Pass with Distinction in the course, it is required that the written assignment 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

Agrell, Wilhelm. (Latest edition). *Konsten att gissa rätt - Underrättelsevetenskapens grunder*. Lund: Studentlitteratur. (218 p.)

Falkheimer, Jesper, Heide, Mats & Larsson, Larsåke. (Latest edition). *Kriskommunikation*. Malmö: Liber. (188 p.)

Gustafson, Per. (2017). *Systematiskt säkerhetsarbete och beslutsfattande*. Licentiatavhandling, Lunds universitet, Lund: MediaTryck. ISBN 9789177534976. (40 p.)

Smith, Clifton & Brooks, David J. (Latest edition). *Security science: The theory and practice of security*. Amsterdam: Elsevier, BH. (280 p.)

Walby, Kevin & Lippert, Randy K. (Latest edition). *Corporate security in the 21st century: Theory and practice in international perspective*. Palgrave Macmillan. (279 p.) Available on the Internet.

Scientific publications, approximately 100 pages.