



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Criminology and Police Work

1PA51U Problemorienterat polisarbete och SARA-processen, 2,5
högskolepoäng

Problem oriented policing and the SARA process, 2.5 credits

Main field of study

Police Work

Subject

Other Subjects within Social Science

Level

First cycle

Progression

G1N

Date of Ratification

Approved 2024-12-09.

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2025.

Prerequisites

General entry requirements.

Objectives

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

- account for the development within problem-oriented policing (POP),
- apply the four steps of the SARA model for a local crime issue.

Content

The aim of the course is to concretize the Swedish Police Authority's strategy for crime prevention. The content is based on the foundations of problem-oriented policing (POP), focusing on the application of the four steps of the SARA model: mapping,

analysis, measures and follow-up/evaluation.

Crime prevention and public safety work within the police shall be knowledge based. The students are therefore expected to contribute with real crime issues which they during the course shall look into and process by the use of the SARA model and with a principal situational crime prevention perspective.

Type of Instruction

The types of instruction include lectures, seminars and supervision while writing an academic paper.

Examination

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

Examination of the course objectives takes place by means of an individual written assignment to be presented and discussed at the final digital seminar in the course.

In order to receive a grade of Pass in the course, the course objectives shall be attained.

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.

In the event a student with a disability is entitled to special study support, the examiner will decide on adapted or alternative examination arrangements.

Course Evaluation

A course evaluation should be conducted during the course or in connection with its conclusion. The results and analysis of the completed course evaluation should be promptly communicated to students who have completed the course. Students participating in the next course instance should be informed of the results of the previous course evaluation and any improvements that have been made, no later than at the start of the course.

Other Information

Any additional costs that may arise in connection with the course are paid for by the Swedish Police Authority.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Lindström, Peter & Sempert, Ulf (latest edition) (Eds.). *Kriminologi och poliskunskap. Mötet mellan forskning och praktik*. Lund: Studentlitteratur. (231 p.).

Thodelius, Charlotta & Ceccato, Vania (latest edition). *Kriminologiska perspektiv på situationsbaserad brottsprevention*. Stockholm: Liber. (136 p.).

Reports from the Swedish Police Authority, Brå (the National Council for Crime Prevention) and SKR (the Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions) concerning method support are also included, comprising approximately 100 pages.