



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Social Studies

ISO124 Samhällsekonomi och statsvetenskap, 6 högskolepoäng

Economics and Political Science, 6 credits

Main field of study

Economics, Political Science

Subject Group

Leadership, Organisation and Management

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G1N

Date of Ratification

Approved 2014-12-17

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2021

Prerequisites

General entry requirements and Civics 1b / 1a1 +1a2 or Civics A, English B (Field-specific entry requirements 6/A6).

Objectives

After completing the course, students should be able to:

- explain the long-run growth and the structural changes of the Swedish economy during the past 150 years,
- describe the national accounts and the meaning of the gross domestic product,
- explain and describe the preconditions for stabilization policy through monetary and fiscal policy.
- explain and describe how the Swedish financial market works,
- explain and describe how the Swedish labour market works,
- describe the central institutions of Swedish government and democracy
- explain the political power of the central state, county regional and local governments
- describe the importance of financial and legislative power in the Swedish political system.

Content

The course covers the following topics:

- Introduction to economics
- The national accounts
- Long-run growth of the gross domestic product
- The monetary and financial markets
- The markets for goods and services and the industry and trade policy
- Stabilization policy through fiscal and monetary policies
- The labour market and active labour market policy
- Introduction to political science and public administration
- The role of politics and bureaucracy in the Swedish public sector
- Legislative and financial power in Sweden
- Central state, county regional and local authorities in Sweden

Type of Instruction

Teaching consists of lectures, group exercises and seminars.

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 exam. In order to receive a grade of Pass, the course objectives must be attained. For a grade of Pass with Distinction, it is required that the student receives the grade of Pass with Distinction for the written exam.

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.

Other

The course is part of the Human Resource Management programme.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Economics and Political Science

Hultkrantz, Lars och Tson Söderström, Hans (Latest edition) *Marknad och politik*. Lund: Studentlitteratur. (ca. 200 p.)

Norén Bretzer, Ylva (Latest edition). *Sveriges politiska system*. Lund: Studentlitteratur. (ca. 150 p.)

Additional scientific publications, information given at the start of the course.