

Linnæus University

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Course syllabus

School of Business and Economics

Department of Organisation and Entrepreneurship

1TR648 Turismvetenskap II - Tourism Entrepreneurship, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Tourism Studies II - Tourism Entrepreneurship, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

Tourism Studies

Subject Group

Tourism and Recreation Studies

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G1F

Date of Ratification

Approved by School of Business and Economics 2020-06-24 The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2021

Prerequisites

Tourism Studies 30 credits, or the equivalent. English 6/ English B, or the equivalent.

Objectives

After completing this course the student should be able to:

- explain the theory and main concepts of entrepreneurship for sustainability;
- critically evaluate the role of tourism entrepreneurship in achieving sustainable development goals and in addressing societal challenges;
- integrate knowledge about and critically discuss the relationship of tourism development, entrepreneurship, and different facets of sustainability;
- identify an entrepreneurial opportunity and propose possible solutions.

Content

The course includes:

- an introduction to and critical assessment of theories on and frameworks for entrepreneurship for sustainability;
- an introduction to and overview of research that connects entrepreneurship to climate change, planetary boundaries, sustainable development goals;
- critical analysis of tourism entrepreneurship as a response to contemporary challenges for a sustainable planetary future;
- an introduction to the entrepreneurial process and practice to develop business models for sustainability in response to entrepreneurial opportunities.

Type of Instruction

The teaching consists of lectures, seminars, and workshops. Active participation is compulsory at seminars and workshop. Excursions and field-trips may be included. Dates for compulsory elements are stated in the schedule.

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades A, B, C, D, E, Fx or F.

The course is examined through an individual course paper (objectives 1,2,3) and a group project that include group report and a group presentation (objectives 3,4)

The grade A constitutes the highest grade on the scale and the remaining grades follow in descending order where the grade E is the lowest grade on the scale that will result in a pass. The grade F means that the student's performance is assessed as fail. Grading criteria for the A-F scale are communicated in writing to the student by the start of the course at the latest, as well as how the weighting and weighting of grades on individual examining elements to the final course grade takes place. The basis for grades determines the student's goal fulfillment.

Repeat examination is offered in accordance with Local regulations for courses and examination at the first and second-cycle level at Linnaeus University. Students who are close to the passing grade of reports can complement after instructions and time-frame given by the examiner to obtain a pass grade.

If the university has decided that a student is entitled to special pedagogical support due to a disability, the examiner has the right to give a customised exam or to have the student conduct the exam in an alternative way.

Course Evaluation

During the implementation of the course or in close conjunction with the course, a course evaluation is to be carried out. Results and analysis of the course evaluation are to be promptly presented as feedback to the students who have completed the course. Students who participate during the next course instance receive feedback at the start of the course. The course evaluation is to be carried out anonymously.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Required Reading

Sheldon, Pauline J., Daniele, Roberto (Eds). Social Entrepreneurship and Tourism: Philosophy and Practice. Springer Verlag (latest edition). About 150 pages

Kyrö, Paula (Ed.). Handbook of Entrepreneurship and Sustainable Development Research. Edward Elgar Publishing (latest edition). About 150 pages

Grichnik, Dietmar, Hess, Manuel. Startup Navigator – Guiding Your Entrepreneurial Journey. Red Globe Publishing (latest edition). About 300 pages

Wells, Peter E. Business Models for Sustainability. Edward Elgar Publishing (latest edition). About 150 pages

Additional study material:

Scientific articles. About 300 pages.