



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Health and Life Sciences  
Department of Health and Caring Sciences

1VÅ202 Perspektiv på samtidens ohälsa, 7,5 högskolepoäng  
Perspectives on Contemporary Illnesses, 7.5 credits

### **Main field of study**

Caring Science

### **Subject Group**

Nursing Science

### **Level of classification**

First Level

### **Progression**

GIN

### **Date of Ratification**

Approved by Faculty of Health and Life Sciences 2016-05-09  
The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2016

### **Prerequisites**

General entry requirements and English B (Field-specific entry requirements 2/A2).

## Objectives

- Compare biomedical and biopsychosocial models of diseases.
- Explain relation between illness and socioeconomic factors.
- Explain relationship between life style and illness.
- Reflect on the origin of life style illnesses as well as their consequences for society.

## Content

- Biomedical and biopsychosocial model of diseases
- Illnesses and modern life style
- Social determinates of health
- Chronic illness
- Occupational health
- Mental health

## Type of Instruction

Lectures  
Individual work  
Group work  
Seminars

## Examination

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

The learning output is examined with an individual take-home written examination.

In order to gain a Pass grade (A-E), the expected learning outcomes must have been achieved.

Students get an opportunity to take re-examinations if their assignment has received a Fail grade.

## Course Evaluation

A course evaluation will be carried out during the course or soon after. The result and the analysis of the course evaluation will be communicated to the students who have completed the course and presented to those who take the course the next time it is given. The course evaluation is anonymous.

## Credit Overlap

This course cannot be part of a degree in combination with another course in which the content fully or partly correspond to the content of this course: 1VÅ200 Perspectives on Contemporary Illness, 7.5 credits; 1SA200 Perspectives on Contemporary Illness, 7.5 credits; 1VÅ201 Perspectives on Contemporary Illness, 7.5 credits; 1SA201 Perspectives on Contemporary Illness, 7.5 credits

## Required Reading and Additional Study Material

- Sarafino, E. P., & Smith, T. W. (2014). Health psychology: Biopsychosocial interactions. John Wiley & Sons.
- Radley, A. (1994). Making sense of illness: The social psychology of health and disease. Sage.