



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Sport Science

2IV31E Idrottsvetenskapligt examensarbete, 15 högskolepoäng

Degree Project Sports Science, 15 credits

Main field of study

Sport Science

Subject Group

Sport Science

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G2F

Date of Ratification

Approved 2009-12-14

Revised 2021-06-21 by Faculty of Social Sciences. Revision of type of instruction and standard text added.

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2022

Prerequisites

For admission to the course, students must have received a grade of Pass in the courses Sport-Related Field Work, 12 credits, and Research Methods in Sport Science, 7.5 credits.

For admission to the freestanding course, 60 credits in sport science or the equivalent are required, and a course in research methods equivalent to 7.5 credits.

Objectives

After completing the course, students should be able to

- develop a clearly defined purpose and formulate researchable issues relevant to the profession and the subject,
- produce and discuss for the study relevant research,
- develop and justify, based on the chosen problem, appropriate theoretical and methodological approaches with reported ethical considerations,
- from a theoretical perspective, analyse and interpret the collected material in accordance with scientific practice,
- draw conclusions from the study and argue for the importance of the work to future research and development relevant to the field,
- produce a scientific text that is well structured, formally correct and linguistically clear,
- critically and constructively examine and discuss their own and others' thesis and point out merits as well as deficiencies.

Content

The course contains the following elements:

- carrying out and reporting of an independent project in sport science
- defending of thesis
- critical examination of another thesis

Type of Instruction

Teaching is in the form of lectures, supervision and seminars. Compulsory components are stated in a separate study guidance.

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 writing a thesis as well as participating in a public discussion and examination. In the assessment, both the process and product of the field study as well as the critical examination of another thesis carried out at the examination seminar are taken into consideration.

In order to receive a grade of Pass in the course, the course objectives must be fulfilled.

For the grade of Pass with Distinction in the course, it is required that the thesis is assessed as Pass with Distinction and the critical examination at the seminar must receive a grade of Pass.

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

Any additional costs that may arise in connection with the course are paid for by the students themselves.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Gratton, Chris & Jones, Ian. (2010). *Research methods for sports studies*. [Electronically available]. 2nd ed. London: Routledge, (304 p.) ISBN: 9780415493932

Markula, Pirkko & Silk, Michael L. (2011). *Qualitative research for physical culture*. Houndmills, Basingstoke, Hampshire: Palgrave Macmillan, (252 p.) ISBN: 9780230230248

Schött, Kristina .(2007). *Studentens skrivhandbok*. [Updated] ed. Stockholm: Liber, (176 p.) ISBN: 9789147084593