



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Criminology and Police Work

2PA50E Självständigt arbete för kandidatexamen i polisiärt arbete,
15 högskolepoäng

2PA50E Independent project for bachelor's degree in police work, 15
credits

Main field of study

Police Work

Subject Group

Other Subjects within Social Science

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G2E

Date of Ratification

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The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2024

Prerequisites

In addition to the general entry requirements are required 120 credits in police work and completed police officer trainee training, alternatively completed basic training as a police officer and advanced course I and II in police work (30 + 15 credits) or 1-75 credits in social sciences or law, or the equivalent.

Objectives

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

- independently plan, carry out and present a scientific study relevant to the field of police work,
- in a constructive manner serve as the student reviewer for fellow students' independent projects by applying scientific awareness,
- defend their own study as well as relate this and fellow students' independent projects to relevant societal, police and ethical aspects.

Content

The course offers the students the opportunity to independently engage in a research domain relevant to the field of police work. The course involves writing and defending

an independent project as well as commenting on a fellow student's independent project.

The students are provided continuous supervision, individually as well as in groups.

At a mid-way review, the students will comment on each others' studies. The students are through this given the opportunity to develop their ability to independently plan, carry out and present a scientific study as well as examine and discuss fellow students' studies.

Type of Instruction

Teaching takes place in the form of lectures, seminars and supervision, individually or in groups.

Examination

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

Examination of the course objectives takes place by means of three examination components: Submission of a written independent project, defending the written independent project, and carrying out a public examination and discussion of another student's study.

In order to receive a grade of Pass in the course, all the examination elements require the grade of Pass. For a grade of Pass with Distinction in the course, it is required that the independent project receives the grade of Pass with Distinction.

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.

Credit Overlap

The course cannot be included in a degree along with the following course/courses of which the content fully, or partly, corresponds to the content of this course: 2PX90E Bachelor's degree in police work, 15 credits and 2PA90E Advanced course II in police work, incl. independent project, 30 credits.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Vetenskapsrådet (latest edition). *God forskningssed*. Stockholm: Vetenskapsrådet. (80 p.) Available on the Internet.

Research papers and other literature are also included, comprising approximately 1,000 pages. Selection takes place in consultation between the student and the supervisor.