



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Criminology and Police Work

2PX34U Polisarbete i trafikmiljö, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Police work in traffic environment, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

Police Work

Subject Group

Other Subjects within Social Science

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G2F

Date of Ratification

Approved 2016-06-01

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2020

Prerequisites

1PX11U Introduction to police work, 5 credits

1PX12U Basic police work, 7.5 credits

1PX13U Criminal law, 7.5 credits

1PX14U Proficiency in patrol duty aspects of police work I, 3 credits

1PX15U Proficiency in investigative aspects of police work I, 4 credits

1PX16U Police emergency care of acutely ill persons, 3 credits

1PX21U Criminology and crime prevention, 7.5 credits

1PX22U Criminal investigation, 11.5 credits

1PX23U Policing in a Global Context, 4.5 credits

1PX24U Proficiency in patrol duty aspects of police work II, 3 credits

1PX25U Proficiency in investigative aspects of police work II, 3.5 credits

Objectives

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

- describe the assignments and explain the prioritizations that apply to the police work in terms of the national road safety strategy,
- define the objectives and methods of the police road safety activities in relation to repressive and preventive surveillance,
- explain problem-oriented road safety activities,
- identify, assess and report traffic offences in a correct manner, in compliance with the procedures in force regarding offences stated in the Road Traffic Offences Act and in accordance with the system for breach-of-regulations fines,
- enforce vehicle and driver inspections and explain the importance of the police officers' approach,

- identify their own crisis reaction as well as that of others, and give information about deaths in a professional and empathetic manner,
- in an appropriate manner and in compliance with the rule of law, conduct written and oral reports on deaths as well as explain what a medical forensic examination entails.

Content

Students are expected to acquire basic and advanced knowledge of Vision Zero and an understanding of the national road safety work. The course introduces the police national strategy and objectives as well as methods which are the basis of the police road safety activities.

By studying research and road traffic laws, students gain insights into the reasoning for their continuous road safety work, as well as insights into the crime prevention of road traffic offences and accidents, governed by the duty of notification. The course provides knowledge of and practical skills in investigation and reporting of traffic offences and road accidents. The students develop the ability to assess, evaluate and correctly report traffic offences. Students' ability to search for information in statutory documents and doctrines is also further developed.

The course includes elements in forensics and behavioural science related to deaths. These elements provide basic knowledge, understanding and skills in the procedures in force for deaths, forensic medical examinations and crisis management.

Type of Instruction

Teaching is conducted by the use of problem-based methodology. Knowledge acquisition in the components takes place through individual work, base group work, supervision, seminars, lectures, literature studies and practical application. The exercises in traffic and notification of deaths, and four lectures (specified in the study guide) are compulsory.

Examination

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

Examination is carried out through a written examination. In order to receive a grade of Pass in the course, the student must attain the required marks for the exam, thus attaining the intended learning outcomes. For a grade of Pass with Distinction, students must answer the questions as well as the assignments related to advanced information retrieval in statutory documents and commentaries given in the exam, at a high and advanced level and with adequate theoretical evidence.

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 the students at the following course date. The course evaluation is conducted anonymously.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Berggren, Nils-Olof. & Munck, Johan. (Latest edition). *Polislagen: en kommentar*. Stockholm: Wolters Kluwer. (16 p.)

Hammarlund, Claes-Otto. (2012) *Bearbetande samtal : Krisstöd - Avlastningsamtal*

- *Stress- & konflikthantering*. Stockholm: Natur & Kultur Akademisk. (350 p.) ISBN: 9789127130890.

Zila, Josef. (2016). *Specialstraffrätten: en introduktion*. Stockholm: Wolters Kluwer. (30 p.) ISBN: 9789139207757.

Rikspolisstyrelsen (2000). *Ordningsbot: en handbok från Rikspolisstyrelsen*. Stockholm: Rikspolisstyrelsen, (260 p.)

Trafikförfattningar. (Latest edition). Stockholm: Norstedts juridik, (650 p.)

One of the following codes of statutes:

Sveriges Lag, Lund: Studentlitteratur AB. Approx. 100 p. ISBN: 9789144109954.

Sveriges Rikes Lag, Stockholm: Nordstedts Juridik. Approx. 100 p.

Zeteo (web-based access through the Linnaeus University library).

Articles, reports and court cases are also included as per instructions given, approx. 100 pages.