Linnæus University



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Criminology and Police Work

2PX45U Polisiär utredningsfärdighet IV, 3 högskolepoäng 2PX45U Proficiency in investigative aspects of police work IV, 3 credits

Main field of study Police Work

Subject Group Other Subjects within Social Science

Level of classification First Level

Progression G2F

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Prerequisites

1PX11U Introduction to police work, 5 credits
1PX12U Basic police work, 7.5 credits
1PX13U Criminal law, 7.5 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 or 1PX26U Policing in a Global Context, 4.5 credits
1PX31U Juvenile crime, 4 credits
1PX38U Drugs, substance abuse and mental disorder, 7.5 credits or 1PX32U Drug crimes and substance abuse, 3 credits and 1PX33U Mental disorder, 4.5 credits
1PX15U Proficiency in investigative aspects of police work I, 4 credits
1PX26U Proficiency in investigative aspects of police work III, 3.5 credits

Objectives Forensic Science After completing the course, students shall be able to:

- conduct and explain the initial measures to be taken in connection with serious crimes
- account for early measures to be taken in connection with so called cybercrimes

Reporting/Investigation

After completing the course, students shall be able to:

- conduct a debriefing of a case concerning domestic violence
- perform searches in the police national central system and in the European systems SIS/Interpol, and be able to interpret the information obtained and use this for the purpose of investigating crimes
- use the police IT systems as separate programmes as well as in combinations, and integrate the application with adequate legal rules in a preliminary investigation managed by a prosecutor.

Content

Forensic Science

The emphasis of the component is placed on serious crimes and early measures in connection with such crimes and domestic violence. Basic knowledge previously acquired within the field is supplemented with advanced knowledge and skills within the fields of explosives, dangerous objects, barriers/blocking of areas, and cybercrimes.

Reporting/Investigation

The emphasis of the component is placed on previously acquired knowledge of and skills in the police IT systems being connected and integrated with relevant legal regulations, in order to enable the students to handle police duties in a satisfactory manner, on patrol duty as well as at work within the police premises. The course also includes advanced knowledge of the applications used within the police for investigation support and documentation. Additional national and international databases are also introduced.

Type of Instruction

Teaching is conducted by the use of lectures, demonstrations, practical sessions and applied exercises, individually as well as in groups. Problem-based methods are used, which entails that teaching, where appropriate, is based on actual or realistic cases that challenge the students' problem-solving skills.

Examination

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

Forensic Science

Examination of the element takes place by means of a web-based exam.

Reporting/Investigation

Examination of the element takes place by means of an applied exercise.

In order to receive a grade of Pass, students are required to demonstrate that the intended learning outcomes are attained.

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

Forensic Science

Schneider Jacobsson, Anna & Svensson, Bo. (2023). *Från spår till bevis: kriminalteknik för poliser i yttre tjänst*. Malmö: Gleerups, (270 p.) ISBN: 9789151109367.

Reporting/Investigation

Ask, Sofia. (2013). *Skrivande polis*. Lund: Studentlitteratur, 103 p. (Selected parts, ca. 45 p.) ISBN: 9789144084565.

Esbjörnsson, Per., Hansson, Carina. & Lennerskog, Engberg, Maria. (Latest edition). *Användarguide för Durtvå*. Växjö: Linnéuniversitetet, Polisutbildningen, (150 p.)

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