



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Social Work

2SA610 Uppsats och projektarbete, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Writing a Dissertation, 7.5 credits

Subject Group

Social Work and Social Welfare

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G2F

Date of Ratification

Approved 2010-12-06

Revised 2015-06-01 by Faculty of Social Sciences.

The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2015

Prerequisites

Successfully completed courses in social work worth 60 credits and 15 credits in law or equivalent.

Objectives

Upon completion of the course the student is expected to be able to:

- Review method-based and theory-based research questions in social work
- Use academic theories and methods to motivate choices
- Apply quantitative methods
- Plan and conduct a study and present it as a coherent academic text
- Participate as a reviewer and author
- Demonstrate skill and ability to reflect and to implement their knowledge into practice. They will also be able to reflect on the living situations/conditions of others and themselves.

Content

- Independent academic project in the form of a research overview
- Different parts of the research process
- The role of reviewer and author
- Aspects of research ethics
- Individual professional development IPD

Type of Instruction

Teaching consists of lectures and supervision sessions. Attendance is compulsory

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Examination

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

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For the examination, the student is to complete a paper and defend it during a seminar.

They must also serve as a student reviewer for another student's project and participate in the course's IPD.

Seminar attendance and active participation are compulsory for the IPD component. 0.5 credits

A retake of the examination will be offered within six weeks of the original examination (within regular term time).

Course Evaluation

A course evaluation will be conducted at the end of the course. The evaluation follows the department's web-based course evaluation template. The course evaluation will be collated and returned to the students by the course coordinator. The collated evaluation will be archived in accordance with departmental regulations.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Ahrne, Göran & Svensson, Peter. (2012). *Handbok i kvalitativa metoder*. Malmö: Liber , (245 pages).

Gilje, Nils & Grimmen, Harald. (2007 or later). *Samhällsvetenskapernas förutsättningar*. Göteborg: Daidalos, (316 pages, approx 250 pages in the course.)

Meewisse, A., Swärd, H., Eliasson-Lappalainen, R. & Jacobsson, K. (2008). *Forskningsmetodik för socialvetare*. Stockholm: Natur och Kultur, (280 pages).