



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Political Science

2SK31E Examensarbete - självständigt arbete, 15 högskolepoäng
2SK31E Independent Degree Project, 15 credits

Main field of study

Political Science

Subject Group

Political Science

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G2E

Date of Ratification

Approved by Faculty of Social Sciences 2018-06-13

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2019

Prerequisites

Political Science I, 30 credits and Political Science II, 30 credits, or the equivalent.

Objectives

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

- independently plan, conduct, and present a scientific study of a research problem in political science in the form of an academic paper,
- independently defend the independent project in a seminar, and
- independently serve as student reviewer for a degree project in a seminar.

Content

The student writes an independent academic paper in a subject relevant to the field of political science, which is subsequently defended in a seminar. There are also specific examination directions given in the document "Riktlinjer för uppsatser i statsvetenskap" (*Guidelines for Papers in Political Science*)

Type of Instruction

The instruction consists of lectures and seminar exercises, as well as by means of supervision, either individually or in groups.

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades A, B, C, D, E, Fx or F.

Grade A represents the highest grade and the subsequent grades follow in descending order, where grade E is the lowest grade that qualifies as a Pass. A grade of F means that the student's performance is assessed as Fail. Fx is not a grade and is only used when a student is permitted to supplement his/her examination.

In order to receive a grade of E in the course, the course objectives must be fulfilled. Information about the grading criteria of the A-F scale is given in a special document, provided at the start of the course, at the latest.

Examination of the course objectives takes place by means of a seminar, in which the student shall defend his/her Bachelor's essay as well as serve as the student reviewer for another essay.

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.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

The literature is chosen in consultation between the supervisor and the student depending on the subject of choice, approximately 500 pages.