



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Social Studies

2SO100 Praktiskarbete för sociologer, 30 högskolepoäng

2SO100 Internship for Sociologists, 30 credits

Main field of study

Sociology

Subject Group

Sociology

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G2F

Date of Ratification

Approved by Faculty of Social Sciences 2022-11-14

The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2023

Prerequisites

60 credits in Sociology, or the equivalent.

Objectives

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

- describe a work organisation by the use of relevant sociological concepts and theories,
- identify and describe relevant sociological problem areas in relation to a work organisation,
- suggest, argue for and evaluate organisational changes based on a sociological observation of a work organisation,
- give feedback on relevant sociological experiences from a workplace,
- identify and describe their own professional competencies in relation to a work organisation.

Module specific objectives:

Upon completion of module 1, students should be able to:

- describe a work organisation by the use of general sociological and organisational sociological concepts,

- justify proposals for change in a work organisation by applying general sociological and organisational sociological concepts and theories,
- orally as well as in writing, present a description and an organisational sociological application of the intended work organisation in which the student will conduct their internship.

Upon completion of module 2, students should be able to:

- describe relevant sociological observations made during the practical work conducted in a work organisation,
- discuss their own professional competencies in relation to the experiences gained in a work organisation.

Content

The course consists of two modules, where the first one deals with the preparation required for the coming internship by using relevant sociological concepts and theories, and by familiarising themselves with the organisation where the internship is to take place. The second module consists of the actual internship as a sociologist in an organisation. The student is in consultation with the course coordinator responsible for finding a placement. The department may aid in giving suggestions on suitable placements.

Module 1 Internship preparatory course, 7.5 credits

The course is a preparation for the following internship. Students shall look into and describe their placement by the use of general sociological and organisational sociological instruments. The course is aimed at giving the students the tools required to be able to review critically, problematise and present sociologically relevant conditions within a work organisation. The course shall enhance the student's knowledge of the organisation in which the student will carry out the placement. This is aimed at reinforcing the conditions of learning during the coming internship, based on the unique organisation at the workplace in question and well as based on a general and organisational sociological perspective.

Module 2 Internship course, 7.5 credits

The actual internship involves carrying out the internship at a work organisation that has been determined in consultation between the student, the course coordinator and a representative from the workplace in question. Feedback on the placement's sociological relevance is provided on a regular basis throughout the course to the course coordinator. At least one meeting shall be held during the course, where the student, course coordinator and representative from the workplace shall attend.

Type of Instruction

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

Examination

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

Examination of module 1 takes place by means of an individual written report, and an individual oral presentation.

Examination of module 2 takes place based on the internship conducted, which is reported regularly during the final twelve weeks of the placement by the use of individual written weekly reports.

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.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Engdahl, Oskar & Larsson, Bengt (latest edition) *Sociologiska perspektiv: grundläggande begrepp och teorier*. Lund: Studentlitteratur (selected parts, circa 100 pages)

Lindkvist, Lars, Frode Bakka, Jörgen & Fivelsdal, Egil (2014). *Organisationsteori: Struktur, kultur, processer*. Stockholm: Liber (selected parts, circa 100 pages)

Additional publications comprising circa 200 pages.