



Course syllabus

Faculty of Technology

Department of Forestry and Wood Technology

2TS955 Ledarskap inom skogs- och träteknik, 7,5 högskolepoäng
Leadership in Forest and Wood Engineering, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

Forest and Wood Engineering

Subject Group

Forest Science

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G2F

Date of Ratification

Approved 2017-10-04

Revised 2019-02-15 by Faculty of Technology. Review of objectives, literature and contents.

The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2019

Prerequisites

60 credits in Forest and Wood Engineering or the equivalent.

Objectives

The course should provide fundamental knowledge of leadership, communication, group dynamics, and conflict management. Concepts and theories are problematized mainly through the use of real-life examples from the forestry and wood industry, its structure and its organizational culture.

After completing the course students are expected to be able to:

- explain concepts and theories dealing with leadership and organization
- critically discuss questions related to group dynamics and communication
- based on theory on leadership and collected empirical data, analyze working methods of an organization and discuss alternative solutions
- critically discuss the concept of leadership in forestry taking into account diversity and gender issues
- identify personal resources and limitations in relation to leadership, and thereby ways of develop their competence
- through the use of real-life examples, analyze and reflect on how conflicts can arise at work and how they can be dealt with and prevented
- orally account for and discuss an independently performed project, and critically discuss another project.

Content

The course contains the following components:

- organizational structure, organizational culture
- working environment
- leadership and leadership theories
- self evaluation
- communication
- conflicts and conflict management
- group dynamics
- gender and diversity

Type of Instruction

The course will be given in distance format through the use of Internet and ICT technology, but it will also comprise get-togethers. The course consists mainly of lectures, literature studies, written assignments and seminars. Students can take part in lectures through a web-based communication system. The course contains one get-together with seminars.

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades U, 3, 4 or 5.

Students are assessed both continuously during the course and through a final exam. Examination consists of written assignments, a written report, group discussions, oral presentations and opposition. In order to receive the grade Pass students must demonstrate knowledge that corresponds to the expected learning outcome.

Course Evaluation

During the course or in close connection to the course, a course evaluation is to be carried out. The result and analysis of the course evaluation are to be communicated to the students who have taken the course and to the students who are to participate in the course the next time it is offered. The course evaluation is carried out anonymously. The compiled report will be filed at the Faculty.

Credit Overlap

The course cannot be included in a degree along with the following courses of which the content fully, or partly, corresponds to the content of this course: Credit overlap
2TS995, 7.5 credits

Other

Given the fact that the course is distributed through the use of ICT, a computer with a good Internet connection is required. Certain elements on the course may result in expenses; these are paid for by the course participant.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Course literature

Alvehus, J. & Jensen, T. Organisation. Studentlitteratur. ISBN: 9789144086040 (latest edition), 385 pages.

Björklund, M. & Paulsson, U. Seminarieboken Att skriva, presentera och opponera. Studentlitteratur. ISBN: 9789144059853 (latest edition), 147 pages.

Blomquist, C. & Röding, Ledarskap. Personen Reflektionen Samtalet. Studentlitteratur, ISBN 9789144056548 (latest edition), 291 pages.

Önnevik, T. Ledarskapets grunder – Organisationens hjärna. Studentlitteratur, ISBN 9789144051611 (latest edition), 266 pages.

Material tillhandahållet av kursledningen vid kursstart.