Linnæus University

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Course syllabus

School of Business and Economics
Department of Management Accounting and Logistics

4FE076 Bolaget i samhället, 7,5 högskolepoäng
The corporation in society, 7.5 credits

Main field of study
Business Administration

Subject Group
Business Administration

Level of classification
Second Level

Progression
A1N

Date of Ratification
Approved 2015-05-27
Revised 2018-06-14 by School of Business and Economics. Revision of objectives.
The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2019

Prerequisites
General entry requirements for studies in the second cycle and specific entry requirements: bachelor's degree, main field of study Business Administration or Economics with a minimum of 90 credits in the main field of study, a degree project of 15 credits within the main field of study, and english B/English 6 or the equivalent.

Objectives

After completing this course the student should be able to:

- account for and independently reason about the governance of corporations in relation to society
- account for and value dominating theories that are used in research about the relation between corporation and society and apply these for reasoning about corporate-governance-related problems in ways that shows evidence of understanding of the theories' possibilities and limitations
- independently reason from business-ethical perspectives about issues that pertain to corporate governance
- within given time limits, carry out tasks that imply independent analysis and problem solving and report these in written form in ways that shows evidence of academic skills such as application of theory and scientific method

Content
The course content five themes:

- Theme 1 the corporation and corporate governance
- Theme 2 law and regulation
- Theme 3 the corporate social responsibility
- Theme 4 input 1 labor (industrial relations)
- Theme 5 input 2 capital (shareholders and financialization)

Type of Instruction
The course is mainly seminar-based. Some lectures, or web-based lectures might occur. Mandatory parts are stated in the schedule.

Examination
The course is assessed with the grades A, B, C, D, E, Fx or F.
The course is examined by individual course literature summaries and an indvidual essay and opposition.

The grade A constitutes the highest grade on the scale and the remaining grades follow in descending order where the grade E is the lowest grade on the scale that will result in a pass. The grade F means that the student's performance is assessed as fail.

After each regular examination there will be at least one new examination in close proximity to the date the results of the regular exam were posted. Students who are close to the passing grade of reports can complement after instructions and time-frame given by the examiner to obtain a pass grade.

Grading criteria for the A–F scale are communicated in writing to the student by the start of the course at the latest.

Course Evaluation
During the implementation of the course or in close connection to the course a course evaluation is to be carried out. Result and analysis of the course evaluation is to be presented as feedback both to the students who have completed the course and to the students who are to participate on the course the next time it is offered. The course evaluation is to be carried out anonymously.

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: The course overlaps 4FE073 with 7.5 credits.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material
Required reading
Collection of articles from scholarly journals, encompassing the frontier of contemporary research. About 600 pages.