



Course syllabus

Faculty Board of Humanities and Social Sciences
School of Social Sciences

4FU408 Examensarbete i freds- och utvecklingsarbete, 15
högskolepoäng

Thesis in Peace and Development Work, 15 credits

Main field of study

Peace and Development Studies

Subject Group

Peace and Development Research

Level of classification

Second Level

Progression

A1E

Date of Ratification

Approved by Organisational Committee 2009-07-17

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2010

Prerequisites

Basic level education in Peace and Development Studies, or another discipline relevant to the course within the social sciences, humanities, or economy; or another Swedish or non-Swedish education, practical experience or other circumstances which make it possible for the applicant to successfully follow the course (30§ HSF), as well as 30 ECTS in Peace and Development Work at Advanced level.

Expected learning outcomes

After having completed the course students are expected to be able to:

- independently carry out academically founded research and investigation work

Content

The thesis work can be carried out in different forms. In addition to the traditional form of academic thesis work, it can be carried out in the form of supervised field work in a developing country, or in the form of a project evaluation within international development or peace work. The work is done individually or in pairs.

Type of Instruction

Teaching consists mainly of tutoring, individually or in group.

Examination

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

Assessment is carried out in an exam seminar. In the exam is also included an opposition assignment on another work, oral as well as written.

Grades are decided upon in an integrated evaluation of the quality of the thesis work, and the efforts of the student in the conducted opposition.

Students at Linneaus University may have their marks translated to the ECTS-system (A, B, C, D, E, F, Fx).

Course Evaluation

Quality development within in Peace and Development Studies has two main features.

The first is the continuing evaluative dialogue we have with students along the courses, and through an internet based evaluations system. Hard copies of earliuer evaluations are available in the offic of the Director of Studies. The result of earlier evaluations, as well as possible changes resulting from these evaluations, are regularly presented to students at the start of a new course.

The other feature is the experience coming from the continuous cooperation with Swedish and international organisations in the peace and development area, in which our teachers are engaged, as well as current research in the area of peace and development.

Other

The expenses for travel and lodging connected to field work in a developing country are borne by the student.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Literature is chosen in cooperation with the tutor.