



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Sport Science

4IV318 Idrott, kön och kropp, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Sport, Gender and the Body, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

Sport Science

Subject Group

Sport Science

Level of classification

Second Level

Progression

A1N

Date of Ratification

Approved by Faculty of Social Sciences 2015-01-21

The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2015

Prerequisites

NO VALUE DEFINED

Objectives

This is an interdisciplinary course which addresses various perspectives on gender and bodily aspects within sports.

After completing the course, students shall be able to:

- summarise and differentiate current research into the relations between sport, body and gender
- apply relevant theoretical and methodological approaches to the studies of body, gender and sexuality within the field of sports science.

Content

The course covers the following areas of content:

- scientific writing and critical mindset
- the history of ideas with regard to the body, and the formation of concepts with regard to gendered bodies, both in terms of a historical as well as a contemporary understanding
- theoretical and methodological issues relevant to the question regarding how to use the perspectives on gender, body and sexuality.

Type of Instruction

The course is based on a combination of lectures, individual studies, group studies and

seminars. Some parts of the course may be given in the form of web-based learning.

Examination

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

Examination of the course takes place by means of a project work which is presented in writing as well as orally at the final examination session. In order to receive a grade of Pass, the course objectives must be attained. To be awarded a grade of Pass with Distinction, it is required that the student in the written and oral presentations demonstrates a high level of independence and the ability to adopt a critical approach in relation to sources as well as literature. Detailed information about the examination assignments along with the grading criteria are given in separate study guidelines. Irrespective of examination format, it is the individual student's performances that are assessed and graded.

Course Evaluation

Course evaluations are carried out on a regular basis, both in writing as well as orally, throughout the course. A course evaluation is carried out in writing at the end of the course, which is compiled and filed by the department. The results are presented to the students who have completed the course, as well as to the students at the following course date together with any measures taken.

Other

Any additional costs that may arise in connection with the course are paid for by the students themselves.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Required reading

Hargreaves, Jennifer & Andersson, Eric (2014). (Eds.) *Routledge Handbook of Sport, Gender and Sexuality*. London/New York: Routledge, (524 p.). ISBN: 9780415522533

Scientific articles and compendiums are also included, approximately 400 pages.

Optional reading

Anderson, Eric (Latest edition). *Inclusive Masculinities. The Changing Nature of Masculinities*. London: Routledge, (208 p.).

Featherstone, Mike., Hepworth, Mike. & Turner, Brian.S. (Latest edition) (Eds.). *The Body: Social Process and Cultural Theory*. London: Sage Publications, (408 p.).

Wacquant, Loic (Latest edition). *Body & Soul. Notebooks of an apprentice boxer*. New York: Oxford University Press, (274 p.).

Hargreaves, Jennifer (Latest edition). *Sporting Females. Critical issues in the history and sociology of women's sports*. New York: Routledge, (331 p.).