



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Sport Science

4IV31E Självständigt arbete/idrottsvetenskaplig magisteruppsats, 15 högskolepoäng

4IV31E Essay in Sports Science/Master, 15 credits

### **Main field of study**

Sport Science

### **Subject Group**

Sport Science

### **Level of classification**

Second Level

### **Progression**

A1E

### **Date of Ratification**

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The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2023

### **Prerequisites**

General entry requirements for second-cycle studies and specific entry requirements as follows: at least 90 credits in the main field of study Sport Science or equivalent main field, including a degree project comprising at least 15 credits. The courses 4IV311 The Sports Movement between Tradition and Change, 4IM001 Theory and Methodology in Sport Science, 4IV320 Philosophy of Science and Research Ethics, or the equivalent.

## Objectives

After completing the course, students shall be able to:

- demonstrate the ability to independently identify, design and carry out a qualified research assignment, based on relevant scientific and ethical aspects,
- critically examine research on key areas of knowledge within the field of sport science,
- account for and operationalise adequate theories and methods in the field of sport science,
- verbally as well as in writing, demonstrate the ability to present and discuss their results, analyses and conclusions - along with the knowledge and assessments that are the basis thereof - in a scientifically correct manner,

- carry out a public discussion and examination of another paper.

## Content

The course contains the following components:

- conduct and present a project within the field of sport science
- supervision and seminar discussions in connection with writing the paper
- information search in connection with the project
- critically review another paper in the field of sport science.

## Type of Instruction

Teaching consists of the independent project, supervision and participation in seminars. The working methods are set up based on the course objectives in consultation between the students and the course coordinator. The components that require compulsory attendance are specified by the course coordinator at the start of the course.

## Examination

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

Examination takes place by means of a written independent project and an oral public discussion and examination of another paper.

In order to receive a grade of Pass, the course objectives must be attained. To be awarded a grade of Pass with Distinction in the course, it is required that the paper is assessed as Pass with Distinction.

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 the students at the following course date. The course evaluation is conducted anonymously.

## 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

Literature relevant to the research field, amounting to approximately 2,000 pages. The course literature is determined in consultation with the supervisor.