



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Sport Science

5IV32E Självständigt arbete (Master) i idrottsvetenskap, 30 högskolepoäng

Independent project (Master) in Sport Science, 30 credits

**Main field of study**

Sport Science

**Subject Group**

Sport Science

**Level of classification**

Second Level

**Progression**

A2E

**Date of Ratification**

Approved by Faculty of Social Sciences 2017-06-14

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2018

**Prerequisites**

NO VALUE DEFINED

### Objectives

After completing the course, students shall be able to:

- independently distinguish and formulate a research problem and conduct a scientific study in the field of sports science
- independently and with a critical approach, search for relevant scientific literature and in a qualified manner use this literature
- independently and with a critical approach, account for theories and previous research relevant to the chosen research problem
- critically reflect on the choice of scientific method and independently apply this at the acquisition and processing of data
- conduct a qualified analysis of the collected data based on relevant theory formation and previous research in the field
- write a scientific paper that meets the academic requirements established with regard to formalities and linguistic design
- discuss and apply research ethical regulations and agreements
- discuss their own research results based on the importance to the relevant areas of application, and based on a wider scientific and societal perspective
- carry out a scientifically relevant and critical review of their own study as well as that of others.

## Content

The main part of the course content consists of planning, conducting, reporting and performing a critical review of a degree project (master's thesis). The project includes the following components:

- planning the degree project
- information search in connection with the project
- methods for data acquisition and processing
- conducting and presenting the project
- critical review of other projects

## Type of Instruction

Teaching consists of regular supervision and seminars at various stages of the work on the degree project. Compulsory attendance at planning seminars and presentation seminars. Lectures are held if required.

## 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 paper and by defending the paper and reviewing another paper at a public discussion and examination. The examiner may in their assessment ask the supervisor for their opinions. In order to receive a grade of Pass, it is required that the paper as well as the public discussion and examination are assessed as Pass, and active participation in the planning and presentation seminars. To be awarded a grade of Pass with Distinction, it is required that the study and presentation, in addition to what is required to receive a grade of Pass, also demonstrate a high level of independence and critical reflective approach. The requirements for each grade are specified in detail in separate grading criteria given.

## 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, and 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

Backman, Jarl. (2016). *Rapporter och uppsatser*. Lund: Studentlitteratur, (223 p.). ISBN: 9789144097329

Literature relevant to the research field, to be chosen in consultation with the supervisor.