

Linnæus University

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Programme syllabus

Faculty Board of Business, Economics and Design School of Business and Economics

Business Process and Supply Chain Management, magisterprogram, 60 högskolepoäng

Business Process and Supply Chain Management, Master Programme, 60 credits

Level

Second Level

Establishment of Programme

Established by Organisational Committee 2009-03-26

Date of Ratification

Approved by Organisational Committee 2009-09-15 The programme syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2010

Prerequisites

General entry requirements for second-cycle studies and specific entry requirements:

- Bachelor Degree in Business Administration with a minimum of 90 credits in Business Administration or the equivalent
- English B/6 or the equivalent

Description of Programme

The aim of this one-year master's programme is to put together knowledge in process management from both logistics and management accounting in order for the student to develop abilities to work in process-oriented organisations. The programme provides professional skills within the control of financial and logistical processes in private companies, administration or other organisations, national as well as international. There is also a two-year master's programme within the same field of study with a more extensive research profile, as compared to the more professional / vocational profile of the one-year master's programme

Objectives

Central degree objectives in accordance with the Higher Education Ordinance

Knowledge and understanding

For a Degree of Master (One Year) students must

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding in their main field of study, including both a broad command of the field and deeper knowledge of certain parts of the field, together with insight into current research and development work; and - demonstrate deeper methodological knowledge in their main field of study.

Skills and abilities

For a Degree of Master (One Year) students must

- demonstrate an ability to integrate knowledge and to analyse, assess and deal with complex phenomena, issues and situations, even when limited information is available; - demonstrate an ability to independently identify and formulate issues and to plan and, using appropriate methods, carry out advanced tasks within specified time limits; - demonstrate an ability to clearly present and discuss their conclusions and the knowledge and arguments behind them, in dialogue with different groups, orally and in writing; and - demonstrate the skill required to participate in research and development work or to work in other advanced contexts.

Judgement and approach

For a Degree of Master (One Year) students must

- demonstrate an ability to make assessments in their main field of study, taking into account relevant scientific, social and ethical aspects, and demonstrate an awareness of ethical aspects of research and development work; - demonstrate insight into the potential and limitations of science, its role in society and people's responsibility for how it is used; and - demonstrate an ability to identify their need of further knowledge and to take responsibility for developing their knowledge.

Content

Organization

The programme is administered by the Faculty of Business, Economics and Design and is offered by the School of Management and Economics.

A program coordinator is responsible for the program. There is also a programme council, consisting of students and the programme coordinator. A programme group, consisting of the programme teachers, is also linked to the programme.

Programme overview

The structure is based on the integration of second level courses from management accounting, the management of processes within and between companies with courses in logistical flows and supply chain management. All courses are at second level and are given in English.

Programme courses

Introduction to Business Process and Supply Chain Management, 15 higher education credits, level A1N (mandatory), *

Process-based Management Control, 15 higher education credits, level A1F, (mandatory), *

Logistics Management in Supply Chains, 15 higher education credits, level A1F (mandatory), *

Degree project, 15 higher education credits, level A1E, (mandatory), *

* belongs to the main field of study business administration

The courses can also be offered in an alternative order.

Community contacts

The programme has clear ties to industry in that it chiefly builds on empirically-based research traditions in the relevant knowledge areas, which encompass very well current trends and changes in the management and development of business and other processes.

Furthermore, case companies are used in several programme courses simultaneously with guest lecturers being engaged in various parts of the course.

Studies abroad

Study abroad can be included in the programme following consultation with the programme coordinator. The students can make use of existing agreements with international universities maintained by Linnaeus University. The students are also encouraged to find universities outside the existing contracts.

Scope of programme

Working with diversity means making use of and evaluating the diversity prevailing among colleagues, students and other co-operative partners. This becomes a matter of course in a programme like this which is open to international students. Equal opportunities provision may be viewed as an aspect of diversity. In connection with the consequences of business process management, especially in the courses "Process based Management Control" and "Logistics Management in Supply Chains", issues concerning sustainable development and ethics are also discussed.

Quality Development

The programme has a programme coordinator, a programme council and a programme group. The programme coordinator has the main responsibility for the administration, quality development and quality management of the programme. The programme coordinator has a continuous dialogue with the programme group, which consists of the lecturing staff involved.

The courses are continuously evaluated by the students in writing. The evaluations are compiled and distributed according to current routines. The current student influence policy means that students are represented in every decision-making body.

Reflections and experience are followed up within a year by at least one meeting in the programme council where course changes, course integration and pedagogical and cognitive development are discussed between students and the teacher team in the programme group.

Degree Certificate

After completing programme studies, corresponding to the requirements expressed in the Higher Education Ordinance degree order as well as Linnaeus University degree order, the student may apply for a degree. Those who have completed Business Process and Supply Chain Management, Master Programme, 60 higher education credits, may obtain the following degree:

Students with a bachelor of social science degree from the first level may obtain the following degree:

Master of Science (60 credits) with specialisation in Business Process and Supply Chain Management.

Main field of study: Business Administration.

Students with a Bachelor of Science in Business and Economics degree from the first level may obtain the following degree:

Master of Science in Business and Economics (60 credits) with specialisation in Business Process and Supply Chain Management.

Main field of study: Business Administration

The degree certificate is bilingual (Swedish/English). The degree certificate is accompanied by a Diploma Supplement (English)