

Course Syllabus

Human Rights: Bachelor Degree Thesis 15 Credits*, First Cycle Level 2

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, the students shall be able to:

- independently identify a researchable problem within the field of human rights
- independently plan and within a given time-frame conduct a defined academic investigation and present it as an academic thesis
- use established academic methods to investigate a problem within the field of human rights
- critically and independently analyze theories of human rights and/or their practical relevance and consequences
- communicate, in writing, advanced knowledge about a specific theme of the field of human rights
- formulate a constructive, systematic assessment of texts, and relate perceptively to and work with their own texts in accordance with such an assessment
- demonstrate an awareness of potential ethical problems related to research, and an ability to prevent these.

Course Content

The course involves writing a bachelor's thesis within the field of human rights. Human rights have become a dominant framework for how states and citizens/individuals should act in relation to each other. At the same time, there are concerns raised that the language of human rights is insufficiently flexible in terms of specific cultures and may support oppressive structures. The thesis work is performed using academic methods and is based on theories relevant to the research field. The thesis may be used for a bachelor's degree in history, religious studies, sociology, or political sciences.

Assessment

The students are assessed based on a bachelor's thesis that is presented and defended at a seminar at which the students are also required to discuss another student's thesis. Supervision is obligatory.

Forms of Study

The forms of study are lectures, seminars and supervision. All teaching is in English.

Grades

The Swedish grades U–VG.

Prerequisites

150 credits of which at least 60 credits within history, religious studies, sociology, political sciences or international relations, and English 6. No knowledge of Swedish is required.

Other Information

All teaching is web-based. Seminars and lectures are scheduled at specific times, and active participation is required at the seminars. The student requires a computer, headset, webcam, and internet connection or equivalent technical equipment to take the course.

Replaces RK2003.

Subject:

Religious Studies

Group of Subjects:

Religious Studies

Disciplinary Domain:

Humanities, 100%

This course can be included in the following main field(s) of study:

1. History
2. Political Science
3. Religious Studies
4. Sociology

Progression Indicator within (each) main field of study:

1. G2E
2. G2E
3. G2E
4. G2E

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