



SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES

Dissertation Design and Ethnographic Analysis, 7,5 higher education credits

Avhandlingsdesign och etnografisk analys, 7,5 högskolepoäng,
Third Cycle

Confirmation

The course syllabus was confirmed by the School of Global Studies on 2016-08-12 to be valid from 2016-08-12.

Field of education: Social Sciences 100%

Department: School of Global Studies

Position in the Educational System

The course is a compulsory course in the PhD Programme in Social Anthropology.

Entry Requirements

General entrance requirements for studies in the third cycle.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- discuss the potential and limitations of various ethnographic analytical strategies;

Skills and abilities

- explain the dissertation's focus, argument and contribution to anthropology;
- compose and organize a coherent analytical and conceptual framework;

Judgement and approach

- evaluate the importance of various analytical strategies for the dissertation.

Course Content

The course aims to use critical assessment of collected field data to define the research topic of the dissertation, explain its contribution to anthropology, formulate its argument, construct its analytical and conceptual framework, and present its structure. The course covers various social scientific traditions of interpretation of qualitative data with a special focus on anthropological traditions. It also

compares the analytical strategies adopted in various anthropological studies that may be of relevance to the dissertation.

Form of Teaching

The course is taught through lectures, seminars and individual work. It may also be offered as a reading course comprising independent study with teaching taking the form of discussion and supervision.

Language of instruction: The course is given in Swedish or English depending on the students' language skills.

Assessment

The course is examined both orally and in writing. Written examination takes the form of assignments according to the teacher's instruction.

If a student, who has failed the same examined component twice, wishes to change examiner before the next examination, a written application shall be sent to the department responsible for the course and shall be granted unless there are special reasons to the contrary.

In cases where a course has been discontinued or has undergone major changes, the student shall normally be guaranteed at least three examination occasions (including the ordinary examination) during a period of at least one year from the last time the course was given.

Grades

The grading scale comprises Pass (G) and Fail (U).

To be awarded a Pass grade for the course requires that all parts of the examination meet the criteria for a Pass grade.

When the course is given as a seminar attendance in 2/3 of the scheduled seminars is required for a Pass grade.

Course Evaluation

The course ends with a written evaluation. The results will be communicated to the students who participated in the evaluation, as well as to the participants in the next course.