

Department of Social Work

Syllabus

for course at advanced level

Organisation and Leadership in Social Work Organisation och ledarskap i socialt arbete 7.5 Higher Education Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

 Course code:
 SU7129

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 2012-05-16

Department Department of Social Work

Subject Social Work

Decision

Approved by the Board of the Department of Social Work, Stockholm University.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

B.A. or equivalent degree with at least 90 university credits in social work or other relevant subjects. Swedish B or the equivalent. English A or the equivalent.

Course structure

Examination codeNameHigher Education Credits0001Organisation and leadership in social work7.5

Course content

- •Classic and modern theories of organisation and leadership
- •Organisation and leadership from structural/political/symbolic perspective
- •Human resource management with focus on learning organisations and development focused leadership
- Co-worker-ship': the changing roles and functions of managers vs. employees
- •Gender and diversity from leadership and co-worker perspective.

Learning outcomes

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

- •describe classic and modern theories of organisation and leadership and place them in the social work context
- •analyse and critically examine different perspectives on theories of organisation and leadership
- understand and analyse HRM and the conditions for creating and developing a learning organisation and development-focused leadership
- •understand and analyse 'co-worker-ship'
- •understand and reflect over gender & opportunity equality and diversity from leadership and co-worker perspective.

Education

Instruction is in the form of lectures and seminars.

Forms of examination

Examination is by individual oral and/or written assignments.

Grades are related to the specified learning outcomes and set according to the following seven-grade scale:

AExcellentoutstanding performance with only minor errors

BVery goodabove average standard but with some errors

CGoodgenerally sound work but with a number of notable errors

DSatisfactoryfair but with significant shortcomings

ESufficientperformance meets the minimum criteria

FxFailsome more work required before the credit can be awarded

FFailconsiderable further work required

Information on grading criteria will be handed out at the start of the course.

To pass the course students must have obtained at least grade E on written assignments and actively participated in seminars and group tasks (if any).

For information on the rules for examination and retakes as approved by the Board of the Department of Social Work see separate information sheet.

Students have the right to request a retake with another examiner if failed twice on a module. Such requests must be made in writing to the director of studies no later than one year after the end of the course.

Required reading

Börnfelt, P.O. (2009). Arbetsorganisation i praktiken. Stockholm: SNS Förlag.

Ellström P-E.& Kock H. (2009) Mot ett förändrat ledarskap? Om chefers arbete i team- och processorganiserad verksamhet. Lund: Studentlitteratur. (199 s.)

Fläckman B., Sörlie V. & Kihlgren M. (2008) Unmet expectation: why nursing home staff leav care work. Journal of Older People Nursing 3, 55-62.

Hartman, L. (2011). Konkurrensens konsekvenser: vad händer med svensk välfärd? Stockholm: SNS Förlag.

Keisu B-I. (2009) Att peka med hela handen : om arbetsvillkor och kön bland första linjens chefer. Umeå: Univ., Sociologiska inst. (akademisk avhandling) Kap. 2 och 9.

Lindholm, K. (2011). Jämställdhet i verksamhetsutveckling. Lund: Studentlitteratur.

Lindmark A. & Önnevik T. (2006) Human Resource Management. Organisationens hjärta. Lund: Studentlitteratur. (314 s.)

Tengblad S. m.fl. (2007) Medarbetarskap. Från ord till handling. Malmö: Liber. (178 s.)

Westerberg K., & Hauer E. (2009) Learning climate and work group skills in care work. Journal of Workplace Learning. Vol.21 No.8. 581-594