

Department of Political Science

Syllabus

for course at first level

Political Science II Statsvetenskap II 30.0 Higher Education Credits
30.0 ECTS credits

 Course code:
 SV200S

 Valid from:
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 2007-10-25

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 2014-02-25

Department Department of Political Science

Main field: Political Science

Specialisation: G1F - First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry

requirements

Decision

The syllabus has been approved by the Head of the Department of Political Science, Stockholm University, 2007-10-25.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
2021	Approaches to Politics	7.5
2023	Political Science Research: Methods and Process	7.5
2024	Political Science Research: Independent Project	7.5
2209	State and Democratization in the Third World	7.5
2206	Media and Politics I	7.5
2203	European Politics	7.5
2219	International Relations	7.5
2215	The Power of Bureaucracy in the Democratic State	7.5
2238	State and Democratization in the Third World	7.5
2237	Transnational Actors in International Organizations	7.5
2240	Human and International Security	7.5
2235	Political Leadership and Democracy	7.5
2234	Environmental Politics	7.5
2231	Gender Policy - in Peace and War	7.5
2041	Civil society organizations as political actors	7.5
2213	Human Rights and Democracy: Conflicts of Perspectives	7.5
2236	Theory and Practice of Equality	7.5
2228	What are Human Rights? Perspectives and Conflicts	7.5

Course content

The course provides a wider and deeper knowledge of certain parts of the subject field studied within Political Science I; political science perspectives and approaches, methods and techniques; and ability to critically examine political phenomena. It also provides scope for an independent research project.

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and Understanding

After completion of the course the student should be able to:

- * account for various theoretical perspectives on politics and their methodological implications;
- * account for various theoretical perspectives related to certain research areas;
- * account for fundamental political science perspectives, theoretical efforts and methods;
- * understand and exemplify how various theories/perspectives can elucidate a political phenomenon within a chosen special area;
- * understand and exemplify what characterises the research process.

Skills and Abilities

After completion of the course the student should be able to use and apply:

- * various theoretical perspectives on politics, as well as show an understanding for their respective starting points and premises;
- * various theories/perspectives in order to elucidate a political phenomenon within a chosen special area;
- * methods in a satisfying way in an independent research project;
- * the fundamentals of an academic style of writing.

Evaluation and Approach

After completion of the course the student should be able to:

- * value and contrast theories and methods in an independent and critical way in both oral and written form;
- * reflect upon his/hers chosen perspectives and their respective methodological implications;
- * scrutinize and evaluate political science studies.

Education

The course is based on lectures and seminars. The seminars are compulsory.

Forms of examination

The types of examination vary within the course: sit-down exam, take home exam, assignments, and a minor independent research project. For the grading, the course will employ a scale of seven steps, where A, B, C, D and E signify multiple degrees of pass, and F and Fx signify two degrees of fail. The grading criteria will be distributed at the beginning of the course.

Interim

When the course is no longer offered or when its content has been significantly modified, the student has the right to be examined according to this syllabus once each semester during a period of three semesters.

Misc

This course may not be counted as part of a degree in which Statsvetenskap II (SVS200), Political Science II (SVE200 and SV200E), the Intermediate Level in Political Science (SV2540), Fortsättningskurs i statsvetenskap (SV2040), or the Intermediate Level in Social Science with specialisation in Political Science (SK2040), or Social Science with specialisation in Political Science II (SHU03C), is included

Required reading

See separate lists