Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies



Syllabus

for course at advanced level

Thesis in Osteoarchaeology Osteoarkeologi - masterkurs

30.0 Higher Education Credits
30.0 ECTS credits

 Course code:
 ARO921

 Valid from:
 Autumn 2012

 Date of approval:
 2012-03-21

Department Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies

Main field: Archaeology

Specialisation: A2E - Second cycle, contains degree project for Master of Arts/Master of

Science (120 credits)

Decision

This course syllabus was set by the department board for Archaeology and Classical Studies the 2007-06-12.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Course structure

Examination code Name Higher Education Credits
1000 Thesis 30

Course content

The course comprises twenty weeks during which students work on a degree project, deepening their knowledge in formulating and applying theoretical and methodological reasoning in analytical interpretations of osteoarchaeological questions. The period of research concludes with a public presentation of the degree project.

Learning outcomes

Having completed the course the student has demonstrated an ability to:

- critically and systematically integrate knowledge and analyse, examine and handle complex phenomena, questions and situations within Osteoarchaeology as well as demonstrate a thorough knowledge about certain parts of the field.
- based on a comprehensive understanding of methodology and current research, critically, independently and creatively identify and formulate questions, plan and conduct a qualified degree project using appropriate methodology within the given time frame.
- -clearly present and discuss the conclusions and the knowledge and arguments behind them orally and in writing, in national and international contexts
- observe prevailing principles of research ethics.

Education

The teaching is in the form of supervision and seminars. Due to resources the format of the teaching may change.

Forms of examination

a) The following methods of examination are through a scientific thesis and the public presentation of the

paper.

b) Grades are given according to a criterion referenced seven-point scale.

A = Excellent

B = Very good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Adequate

Fx = Insufficient

F = Fail

c) The grading criteria for this course are to be distributed at the beginning of the course.

d) A grade of at least E on all modules is required in order to obtain a grade for the whole course. For estimation of higher grades, see grading criteria.

e) In order to obtain at least a grade of E, a student who has received F or Fx has the right to an additional four tests provided the course is still offered. A student who has received a grade of E or higher may not take the test again in order to get a higher grade.

A student who has received the grade Fx or F twice on a given test by the same examiner can, on application, be granted a new examiner, unless there are specific reasons against it. The application should be addressed to the board of the department.

Interim

When the course is no longer offered or its contents have been essentially revised, the student has the right to be examined according to this course syllabus once per semester for a three-semester period. However, the restrictions above still hold. See study adviser/director of studies or corresponding authority for accordance with earlier course system.

Limitations

This course cannot be included in a degree together with a participated and passed course, within the country or abroad, in which the content fully or partly overlaps with that of this course.

Required reading

The literature for the degree project depends on the choice of topic. The literature should be documented in the literature list of the submitted degree project, which will be archived.