

# Department of Human Geography

# **Syllabus**

for course at advanced level

Theoretical Perspectives on Planning Teoretiska perspektiv på samhällsplanering 7.5 Higher Education Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

 Course code:
 KG7230

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 2015-03-03

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 2018-02-21

**Department** Department of Human Geography

Main field: Urban and Regional Planning

Specialisation: A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

#### **Decision**

This syllabus was approved by the board of Department of Human Geography on 3 March 2015 and revised on 21 February 2018.

# Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

#### **Course structure**

Examination codeNameHigher Education Credits1001Theoretical perspectives on planning7.5

### **Course content**

The course addresses the central theories of urban and regional planning with emphasis on social sciences, such as changing planning paradigms in a historical and international perspective, the role of planners and collaboration with other institutions and actors, as well as the interaction between planning, politics and power in a spatial perspective. The course also deals with how planning takes account of different groups and individuals, such as gender, age, ethnicity and class, and how planning is in line with society's ideals and values.

# Learning outcomes

After completing the course, the student is expected to be able to:

- Describe, compare and interpret different planning theories and planning paradigms.
- In writing and verbally conduct a scientific discussion of different planning theory issues and perspective.

#### **Education**

All scheduled education is obligatory. In case of absence from obligatory education, opportunity to participate in that education is given next time the course is given. If possible, a substitute assignment could be given, following the decision of the course coordinator.

Obligatory education is introduction, lectures, seminars and exercises. Language of the course is English.

#### Forms of examination

a. The course is examined through control of knowledge of the expected study results. Examination is done by home examination and assignments. Examination of individual course parts can be found in the study

guide for the course. The principles for aggregating the individual examinations are given in the grade criteria.

Examination is in English.

b. Grades are decided according to a goal-related grade-scale with seven levels:

A = Excellent

B = Very Good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Sufficient

Fx = Fail, some additional work required

F = Fail, much more work required

F and Fx are inadequate grades and in both cases, re-examination is required.

c. The course's grading criteria will be given out at the start of the course.

d. To get a course grade, at least a grade E is required on the test.

If special reasons exist, the examiner may, after consultation with the teacher responsible, allow the student to be exempt from the obligation to participate in certain education or fulfilment of obligatory assignment. The student can then be required to do an assignment as compensation.

Course Grade is the same as the grade of the test when the course consists of one test. If the test is not graded or have grades F or Fx, course grade is not given.

e. Students who have received an F, Fx or U (Fail) on a test have the right to re-do the test up, as long as the course is given, to reach a pass grade. Students who have received an E or higher on a test may not re-do the test to get a higher grade.

Students who have received an F, Fx or U on the same test, twice from the same examiner have the right to request that another examiner grade the test, unless there are specific reasons to deny this request. Requests to change examiner should be put to the Department Board.

f. Opportunity to complete the grade Fx to a pass grade is not given on this course.

#### Interim

If, in the future, the course is no longer offered, or if the course content has been significantly changed, students have the right to be examined according to this syllabus three times during a three-term period. However, the stipulations listed under Forms of examination still apply.

## Limitations

The course may not be included in a degree together with any other course, the content of which corresponds completely or partially to the content of the course. This applies, for example, to the course: Policy and Planning Theory, Second Cycle, 15 HECs (KG7202).

#### Misc

The course is mandatory in Master's Programme in Urban and Regional Planning and Elective in, among others, Master's Programme in Human Geography and Master's Programme in Globalization, Environment and Social Change.

Course description, including timetable, is available at humangeo.su.se no later than one month before the course starts and study guide with further details are distributed when the course starts.

# Required reading

Course literature is listed in an annex and will be posted at humangeo.su.se two month before the start of the course.