

Syllabus

for course at advanced level

Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe
Familjedynamik i ett föränderligt Europa

**7.5 Higher Education
Credits**
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	SO7162
Valid from:	Spring 2019
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Department	Department of Sociology
Main field:	Demography
Specialisation:	A1F - Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus is approved by the board of the Department of Sociology, Stockholm University, 20180925

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Bachelor's degree, Swedish upper secondary school course English B/English 6 or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
1D31	Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe	7.5

Course content

The course provides an overview of recent theory and research on changes and dynamics in family demographic behaviour in Europe. The seminar series cover changes in living arrangements and union dynamics; changes in childbearing dynamics; causes and consequences of family-demographic change; relationships between social policy and family-demographic change; and transnational vital events and family dynamics in the course of international migration. Particular attention is devoted to comparative research within Europe.

Learning outcomes

After accomplishing this course, participants are expected to be able to: In terms of knowledge and understanding:

- Identify innovative topics of research on family dynamics in Europe

In terms of accomplishment and competence:

- Formulate a research question that can be addressed by means of making references to existing demographic literature in Europe
- Formulate a research question that can be addressed by taking advantage of the variation in contexts across countries in Europe
- Address a research question related to some aspect of family dynamics in Europe by reviewing the most relevant literature on it

In terms of values and evaluation:

- Critically evaluate different approaches to family demographic research by researchers from different disciplines and by researchers from different countries in Europe and North America

Education

The course is taught in the form of lectures and seminars. Attendance at lectures and seminars is mandatory

according to a specified schedule.

Forms of examination

Course work and examination consist of discussion of lecture contents and the writing of a course paper on a topic related to the course contents. The course work is evaluated according to the following degrees:

A = Excellent.

B = Very good.

C = Good.

D = Satisfactory.

E = Sufficient.

Fx = Insufficient.

F = Fail

The student needs at least the grade E at all forms of examination to pass the course.

Students with grade F or Fx are entitled to another examination as long as the course is provided in order to achieve grade E at least. A student with E is not entitled to do another examination to improve the grade.

Students who have been graded Fx or F on an exam twice by an examiner have the right to request another examiner and may do so by sending a request to the Director of Studies.

Plagiarism, cheating and unauthorized cooperation

It is the responsibility of the student to be familiar with the rules for examination. Detailed information is available at Stockholm University's website. Teachers are obliged to report suspicion of cheating and plagiarism to the Director of Studies and the Disciplinary Board. An example of plagiarism is to formally or almost verbatim copy a text (even a single sentence) without indicating where this comes from. This also applies to texts you have previously written (self-plagiarism). Study groups are encouraged, but when it comes to individual course work, students must submit an independent work and not an unauthorized cooperation.

Limitations

You can not be admitted to this course if you have passed the course SO7161 Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe 7.5 credits or the course SO7160 Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe 9 credits or the module 1M30 Family Dynamics in a Changing Europe 7.5 credits within the course SO8040 Demography, Interdisciplinary Magister Course.

Required reading

Current literature list will be available no later than two months before the start of the course.