Department of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies



Syllabus

for course at advanced level

Issues and Approaches in East Asian Studies
Frågeställningar och tillvägagångssätt inom Östasienstudier

7.5 Higher Education Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code: JK0600
Valid from: Autumn 2019
Date of approval: 2019-03-13

Department Department of Asian and Middle Eastern studies

Main field: Asia:s Languages and Cultures

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

Decision

This syllabus was developed by the Faculty Board of Humanities 2018-11-07 and adopted by the Board of the Department of Asian, Middle Eastern and Turkish Studies 2019-03-13

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Bachelor's Degree in Asian Languages and Cultures, or the equivalent thereof, including a Bachelor's Thesis using Japanese, Chinese or Korean original language sources. English 6.

Course structure

Examination codeNameHigher Education CreditsDK01Issues and Approaches in East Asian Studies7.5

Course content

This course discusses the contemporary study of East Asian societies, histories, cultures and political organizatons, while critically evaluating the frameworks by which the region is traditionally studied. The coure aims to challenge both colonial and nationalist frameworks, while discussing regional perspectives and highlighting transregional and global perspectives. The course investigates East Asia and the global discourse on the region as both discipline and geographical space.

Learning outcomes

In order to pass the course, students are expected to be able to:

- review and exemplify from a wide variety of questions and methods central to East Asian studies
- discuss theoretical challenges and possibilities within the students own field of research
- present the students own field of research orally and in writing in an academic manner

Education

Instruction is given in the form of lectures and seminars.

Course requirements: written assignments to be submitted ahead of each seminar and an oral presentation.

Attendance at all teaching sessions is mandatory.

The language of instruction is English.

For more detailed information, please refer to the course description. The course description is made available at least one month before the course starts.

Forms of examination

- a. The course is examined on the basis of a written assignment. For more information, please refer to the course description. The course description will be made available at least one month before the course starts.
- b. Grades will be set according to a seven-point scale related to the learning objectives of the course: A = Excellent, B = Very good, C = Good, D = Satisfactory, E = Adequate, Fx = Inadequate, F = Totally Inadequate.
- c. Students will be informed of the written grading criteria when teh course starts. The grading criteria are binding.
- d. In order to pass the course, students must receive a grade of E or higher on all examinations, complete all mandatory assignments and meet the attendance requirements of 80%

Under special circumstances, the examiner may, after consulting with the coordinating teacher, grant the student an exemption from the obligation to participate in certain mandatory course elements or complete mandatory assignments. The student can then be assigned a compensatory assignment.

e. At least two examination opportunities should be offered for each course. At least one examination opportunity should be offered during a semester when the course is not given.

Students who receive the grade Fx or F twice by the same examiner are entitled to have another examiner appointed fort he next examination, unless there are special reasons to the contrary. Such requests should be made to the department board.

Students who receive the grade E or higher may not retake the examination to attain a higher grade.

f. This course does not include any opportunities to complete a supplementary assignment in order to convert the grade Fx into a passing grade.

Interim

When the syllabus is discontinued, students have the right tob e examined according tot his syllabus once per semester during a transition period of three semesters.

Limitations

This course may not be included in a degree together with a course, taken in Sweden or elsewhere, of identical or partially similar content.

Required reading

For up-to-date information about required reading, please refer to the department website at www.su.se/asia/english. The current reading list will be made available at least two months before the course starts.