

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 2023
Date of approval:	2019-03-13
Changed:	2023-03-08
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 Board of the Faculty of Humanities 2018-11-07 and adopted by the Board of the Department of Asian, Middle Eastern and Turkish Studies 2020-02-05. The syllabus was revised by the Department board 2023-03-08.

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 code	Name	Higher Education Credits
DK01	Issues and Approaches in East Asian Studies	7.5

Course content

The course engages with the study of East Asian cultures through an introduction to major disciplinary angles that have informed these studies: philology and literary studies, translation studies, cultural studies, and International Relations. It addresses notions of "Asia" developed inside and outside of East Asia. Furthermore, it revisits central concepts of any research on cultures from an East Asian perspective – "nation," "region," and "empire," "global" and "local," "culture" and "nature," "literature" and "media." As a whole, the course invites students to look beyond the national boundaries of traditional Area Studies and explore in what way the consideration of East Asia proves indispensable for research in their own specific field.

Learning outcomes

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

- identify and account for selected issues, theories and approaches in East Asian Studies
- acquire research, problem solving and critical thinking skills
- develop an ability to communicate ideas orally and in writing

Education

Instruction is given in the form of seminars.

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 home examination.

If a student has a certificate regarding particular pedagogical assistance due to a disability the examiner has the right to give an adapted examination or to permit the student to conduct the examination in an alternative way.

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 = Failed, more work required,

F = Failed, a lot more work required.

c. Students will be informed of the written grading criteria when the 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 instance. At least one examination opportunity should be offered during a semester when the course is not given.

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

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

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 to be examined according to this 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 <https://www.su.se/institutionen-for-asien-och-mellanosternstudier/>.

The current reading list will be made available at least two months before the course starts.