

# Syllabus

for course at advanced level

**Introduction to Global Media Studies**  
**Introduktion till globala mediastudier**

**7.5 Higher Education**  
**Credits**  
**7.5 ECTS credits**

<b>Course code:</b>	MK7037
<b>Valid from:</b>	Autumn 2018
<b>Date of approval:</b>	2018-05-09
<b>Department</b>	Department of Media Studies
<b>Main field:</b>	Communications Studies/Media and Communication Studies
<b>Specialisation:</b>	A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

## Decision

This syllabus was established by the Faculty Board of Humanities 2018-05-09 and adopted by the Board of the Department of Media Studies 2018-05-09.

## Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Bachelor's degree in Media and Communication Studies or equivalent including a thesis of at least 15 ECTS credits or equivalent. English B/English 6 (Swedish upper secondary school course) or equivalent.

## Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
IGMS	Introduction to Global Media Studies	7.5

## Course content

The course deals with the relationship between globalization and media from an interdisciplinary perspective. Lectures and seminars on different theoretical approaches to this relationship are combined with individual and group assignments of an empirical and methodological nature. Theory and debate on globalization processes form the background to the course's focus on the significance of traditional and new media for the transformation of political identities and the opening of new areas for public discussion.

## Learning outcomes

By the end of the course, the student should have acquired;

- advanced competence in the field of media and globalization theory and;
- an ability to use them to critically and independently to compare different research perspectives and apply them to specific medial situations.

## Education

Instruction is given in the form of lectures and seminars.  
Attendance is mandatory.

## Forms of examination

a.) The course is examined through individually written take-home assignments. For more detailed information, please see the course description.

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 = Fail

c.) Written grading criteria are announced when the course begins. Aforementioned grading criteria are binding.

d.) In order to pass the course, students must receive a grade E minimum on all mandatory assignments and attend 100% of classes. Exceptions to the attendance rule are made in case of illness or under other special circumstances. The student may then be required to submit a supplementary assignment. Late submission are not assessed or graded.

e.) For each course occasion, at least two opportunities for examination must be offered during the same semester. At least one examination opportunity shall also be given during semesters or years when the course is not offered. 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 particular reasons to deny students this right. Such requests should be made to the Department Board. Students with a passing grade (E or higher) may not retake the exam for a higher grade.

f.) The completion of a supplementary assignment in order to convert the grade Fx into a passing grade on the home assignment may be permitted if the student is close to meeting the criteria for a passing grade. The supplementary assignment should be submitted within a week of the examiner notifying the student of the need to complete a supplementary assignment. Adequate corrections of basic formalia are graded A-E. Adequate corrections relating to understanding - minor misunderstandings, small errors, or too limited reasoning - can only receive grade E.

### **Interim**

When the syllabus has been 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 with other courses, completed in Sweden or elsewhere, with identical or partially overlapping content. This course overlaps entirely with MK7014 and MK7021 and cannot for that reason be included in the same degree.

### **Required reading**

Literature for the course is available at [www.ims.su.se](http://www.ims.su.se) no later than two months ahead of the first class.