

Department of Public Health Science

Syllabus

for course at advanced level
Embodiment of the social world
Införlivandet av den sociala världen

7.5 Higher Education Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:PH04A0Valid from:Autumn 2020Date of approval:2019-08-27

Department Department of Public Health Sciences

Main field: Public Health

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

Decision

Determined by the Board of the Department of Public Health Sciences, 2019-08-27.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

A degree comprising at least 180 credits, including an independent thesis comprising at least 15 credits, as well as English proficiency equivalent to English 6.

Course structure

Examination codeNameHigher Education CreditsT041Individually written take-home exam7.5

Course content

This course addresses some fundamental processes through which the social world enters the individual's body and mind. The focus lies upon how these processes shape individuals' behaviors and set the conditions for their health. The role of individual capabilities and agency is also discussed. In addition, the course touches upon the importance of the historical and political context in relation to various processes of embodiment.

Learning outcomes

In order to receive a passing grade on the course, the student should be able to:

- Understand and apply concepts of relevance for the study of embodiment of the social world.
- Using theory to understand and describe various processes through which the social world enters individuals' bodies and minds.
- Give illustrative examples of social processes that shape individuals' behaviours and set the conditions for health
- Reason about the role of individuals' capabilities and agency in relation to embodiment of the social world
- Discuss the role of the historical and political context in relation to various processes of embodiment.
- Reflect on the scientific process in relation to their own competence development in the field of Public Health Sciences.

Education

The teaching will be based on lectures and seminars.

Participation in the seminars is mandatory. In case of absence, the student will be given compensatory assignments.

The course will be taught in English.

See the course description for more detailed information. The course description will be available at least one month before the course starts.

Forms of examination

a) The course is examined through an individually written assignment, an oral presentation of a group assignment, an individually written take-home exam, and active participation in the seminars. In case of absence, the student will be given compensatory assignments.

The take-home exam will be graded on a goal-based seven-point grading scale (A-F).

The written assignment, the oral presentation, and the participation in the seminars will be graded on a two-point grading scale (G=Pass, U=Fail).

The principles for weighting each part of the examination are presented in the grading criteria.

The examination will be in English.

If the student has a certificate from Stockholm University which recommends special pedagogical support, the examiner has the right to offer the student alternative forms of examination.

b) The course grade will be given on a goal-based seven-point grading scale:

A = Excellent

B = Very good

C = Good

D = Adequate

E = Sufficient

Fail grades

Fx = Inadequate

F = Wholly inadequate

- c) The grading criteria will be presented to the students in writing when the course begins.
- d) In order to receive a passing grade in the course, the student must receive at least an E grade on the takehome exam, as well as passing grades on the written assignment, the oral presentation, and the participation in the seminars.
- e) Two examinations are offered each time the course is taught. For terms when the course is not taught, one examination is offered.

Students who receive a failing grade two consecutive times from the same examiner have the right to request a different examiner to grade the examination. This request should be made to the Director of Studies.

Students who receive an E or higher grade may not be re-examined for the purpose of improving the grade received.

f) It is possible to revise a take-home exam that received an Fx grade to a passing grade, if the student is close to passing.

The passing grades A-E may be received for supplementary revisions that are related to formality errors.

The passing grade E may be received for supplementary revisions that reflect problems related to the more basic understanding of the material presented in the course.

If the supplementary revision of the grade Fx does not meet the requirements for a passing grade, the grade F is received.

A written assignment, oral presentation, and participation in the seminars that received a failing U grade can

receive a passing G grade with submission of a supplementary assignment, if the student is close to passing.

Interim

The current course literature will be published on the department's website, www.su.se/publichealth, at least two months before the course begins.

Misc

Plagiarism, cheating, and self-plagiarism is prohibited in all parts of the course. Suspicion of such cases is reported to the Disciplinary Board at Stockholm University.

This course is given as part of Term 1 of the Master's programme in public health sciences: Societal and individual perspectives. The course is also offered as a single-subject course to the extent there are available resources.

Required reading

Students may request an examination in accordance with this syllabus up to three semesters after the course has ceased or changed significantly.