

Syllabus

for course at first level

**Environmental Communication
Miljökommunikation**

**7.5 Higher Education
Credits
7.5 ECTS credits**

Course code:	MK3057
Valid from:	Autumn 2021
Date of approval:	2021-02-10
Department	Department of Media Studies
Main field:	Communications Studies/Media and Communication Studies
Specialisation:	G1N - First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus has been approved by the department board at the Department of Media Studies.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
EC01	Environmental Communication	7.5

Course content

This course deals with the relationship between popular communication, media and the environment from an interdisciplinary perspective that combines humanities and social sciences. Using an integrative approach that links questions of planetary change and social change with the role of media and communication processes, this course addresses questions of how multiple levels of contemporary mediation (from legacy, mass media and film to social media) convey and construct knowledge and information about environmental problems.

Learning outcomes

To obtain a passing grade by the end of the course, the student should have acquired;

- basic knowledge on issues and paradigms in the field of environmental communication theories
- basic competence on the relationship between communication, media and the climate issue from interdisciplinary perspectives.
- an ability to critically and independently compare different research perspectives and apply them to various environmental issues and problems

Education

The course builds on a combination of lectures and student-active seminars, including both individual and group assignments. The language of instruction is English. For more detailed information, please refer to the course description. The course description is available no later than one month before the start of the course.

Forms of examination

- The course is examined through individually written take-home assignments and a final individually completed essay. For more detailed information, please see the course description. The course description is available no later than one month before the start of the course.
- 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.

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.

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

The course may not be included in the degree at the same time as such a completed and approved course within or outside the country, the content of which fully or partially corresponds to the course.

Required reading

For current course literature, please refer to the department's website at www.ims.su.se. The current bibliography is available no later than two months before the start of the course.