

Syllabus

for course at advanced level

Challenges for the emerging city

Utmaningar för den växande staden

15.0 Higher Education

Credits

15.0 ECTS credits

Course code:	ETX002
Valid from:	Spring 2015
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Changed:	2014-10-29
Department	Department of Culture and Aesthetics
Main field:	Ethnology
Specialisation:	A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

Approved by the Faculty of Humanities on May 7 2014.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

BA (180 credits) in humanities, law, science, or social sciences.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
0001	Challenges for the emerging city	15

Course content

This course is collaborative between students and teachers from Stockholm University (SU), Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Södertörn University (SH), Karolinska Institute (KI), the City of Stockholm, Stockholm County Council and the County Administrative Board of Stockholm.

Working on an assignment on the theme of emerging cities and urban sustainability you will be part of an interdisciplinary group that designs, organizes and presents innovation work across traditional knowledge borders. The project groups will work with proper problems facing the city and municipalities.

Challenging problems demand new ways of thinking. OpenLab is a new way to learn new things in collaboration with people from different fields of knowledge and professions. You will learn how to function as a team and use projects to tackle current issues together with local clients, creating new ideas about how to solve pressing social problems.

Learning outcomes

Upon completion of the course, the student is able to:

- relate scientific perspectives to different practices from dissimilar areas of knowledge and target groups
- identify and analyze complex phenomena and introduce new innovative ideas that can be developed and realized to the lasting benefit and value to a specific target group
- apply interactive and creative work and design methodology
- communicate the work on, and results of, innovation projects for clients, selected target groups and society

Education

The course consists of mandatory lectures and workshops within the selected development project.

The course is given in English.

Forms of examination

a)

- * Attendance at lectures and the workshops within the selected development project
- * Written and oral presentation of the innovation project
- * Individual reflection reports

b) Grades will be assigned according to a two-step grading scale. U = Fail, G = Pass

c) Grading criteria will be distributed at course/module start.

d) To receive a final grade for the course require grade G on all mandatory assignments and attend at least 80% of the scheduled classes.

If special circumstances exist, the examiner may, after consultation with the responsible teacher allow the student obliged to participate in certain compulsory education, to be required a compensation task.

e) A student who has received a grade of G or higher may not take the test again in order to get a higher grade. A student who has received the grade of U twice on a given test and by the same examiner can, on application, be granted a new examiner, unless there are specific reasons against this. The application should be addressed to the board of the department.

f) Supplementation of examination tasks can be granted if the student is near the border pass. Assignment should be submitted within a week after the requirements have been notified by the examiner.

Interim

When the course is no longer given, or has undergone substantial changes, students are entitled to be examined according to this course syllabus once per term for a period of three term period.

Limitations

The course cannot be credited for an exam together with any course, in Sweden or abroad, which content entirely or partially overlaps.

Misc

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Required reading

Current reading list is available one month before the course start at www.openlab.se. This course is based on the condition that the students will work with a given assignment and it is therefore included in the learning activities that students themselves are actively looking for information and appropriate literature to solve the task.