



Faculty of Health, Science and Technology  
Public Health Science

## Syllabus

### Equality in health

<b>Course Code:</b>	FHAJH1
<b>Course Title:</b>	Equality in health <i>Hälsa på lika villkor</i>
<b>Credits:</b>	7.5
<b>Degree Level:</b>	Master's level
<b>Progressive Specialisation:</b>	Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements (A1N)

**Major Field of Study:**  
FHA (Public Health Sciences)

#### Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Health, Science and Technology 2017-02-15, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2017 at Karlstad University.

#### Prerequisites

Undergraduate studies of at least 60 ECTS cr and upper secondary school level Swedish 3 or B/Swedish as a second language 3 or B, or equivalent plus English 6 or A, or equivalent.

#### Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- give an account of the demographic distribution of health,
- describe determinants for developing health equity
- give an account of efforts to achieve health equity

Competence and skills

- identify the causes and consequence of health inequality among children and adults in the population,
- demonstrate the link between the health objectives and health equity

Judgement and approach

- assess and relate to health as a human right,
- relate public health policy on health equity to sustainable development.

#### Content

The course is offered as distance education with campus meeting lectures and seminars. The course comprises the following components:

- health as a human right
- national and international health objectives
- the demographic distribution of health
- health in a life cycle perspective

- the effects of inequality on health
- supportive environments
- efforts for enhancing health equity at different levels
- health and sustainable development

### **Reading List**

See separate document.

### **Examination**

Assessment is based on an individual hand-in assignment and on student's active participation in dialogue seminar and final seminar.

### **Grades**

One of the grades Distinction (VG), Pass (G), or Fail (U) is awarded in the examination of the course.

### **Quality Assurance**

Follow-up relating to learning conditions and goal-fulfilment takes place both during and upon completion of the course in order to ensure continuous improvement. Course evaluation is partly based on student views and experiences obtained in accordance with current regulations and partly on other data and documentation. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of any measures to be taken.

### **Course Certificate**

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

### **Additional information**

This is a master level course in the VAMAS programme (Master programme in Health Science: Public Health Sciences). The course is open to non-programme students.

The local regulations for studies at the Bachelor and Master levels at Karlstad University stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.

Students are recommended to have access to an internet connected computer for downloading continuous information and uploading assignments.