



Faculty of Health, Science and Technology
Public Health Science

Syllabus

Global Health

Course Code:	FHGGH1
Course Title:	Global Health <i>Global hälsa</i>
Credits:	7.5
Degree Level:	Undergraduate level
Progressive Specialisation:	First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements (G1N)

Major Field of Study:

FHA (Public Health Sciences)

OHA (Oral Health)

OMA (Nursing Science)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Health, Science and Technology 2019-09-12, and is valid from the Spring semester 2020 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

General admission requirements

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

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

1. Define global health and public health
2. Describe health inequality and its consequences nationally and globally
3. Describe different methods for measuring public health nationally and globally

Competence and skills

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

4. Explain the determining factors of health in a global perspective
5. Identify and discuss global health challenges in relation to the global sustainability goals
6. Suggest and describe health-promoting interventions on the basis of global sustainability goals

Judgement and approach

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

7. Demonstrate an ability to think critically about global health problems

Content

Instruction is in the form of lectures, seminars, and group exercises. The course starts out from the UN Declaration of Human Rights and the UN Sustainable Development Goals and comprises the following:

- Definitions of global health and public health
- Health inequality and its consequences nationally and globally
- The determining factors of health
- Global health challenges: poverty, infections and epidemic diseases, non-contagious disease, oral health, injuries, violence, climate change, migration, and urbanisation
- Health-promoting practices, salutogenesis, empowerment, and health literacy
- Measures of health and disease

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on a group project presented in a seminar and an individual written take-home exam presented and discussed in a seminar.

If students have a decision from Karlstad University entitling them to special pedagogical support due to a documented disability, the examiner has the right to give such students an adapted examination or to examine them in a different manner.

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

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