



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Sports Science

Syllabus

Sports Science: Introduction to a Multi- and Interdisciplinary Field

Course Code:	IDAM01
Course Title:	Sports Science: Introduction to a Multi- and Interdisciplinary Field <i>Idrottsvetenskap - en introduktion till ett mång- och tvärvetenskapligt fält</i>
Credits:	7.5
Degree Level:	Master's level
Progressive Specialisation:	Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements (A1N)

Major Field of Study:
IVA (Sports Science)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2020-02-25, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2020 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

90 ECTS credits completed, including at least 30 ECTS credits at the G2F level or higher in one of the following main areas of study: Sport Science, Public Health Sciences, Education, Psychology, or Sociology, or a degree in Education of at least 180 ECTS credits, and upper secondary level Swedish 3 or Swedish as a second language 3 and English 6 or B, or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

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

- critically examine and compare the possibilities and limitations of different research designs in the field of sport science,
- analyse the theory and method of current research in the field of sport science based on criteria for research quality and ethical aspects,
- identify and reflect upon different ways of promoting the combination of research and proven experience in the field of sport science, and
- draw methodological conclusions from different ways of formulating research questions in sport science.

Content

The aim of the course is to examine and integrate theory and knowledge and methodological issues related to the field of sport science. The course content includes issues in sport science as concepts connected to the area of sports and health.

The course covers the following:

- research designs in the field of sport science,
- the development of the history of ideas of sport science understood through recent national and international research,
- different applications of sports and health,
- sports-related areas of knowledge which are mainly based in other fields of research, and
- studies of sports and health-related areas to develop theoretical perspectives in other sciences.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on an individual written hand-in assignment and active participation in a mandatory 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.