



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Information Systems

Syllabus

Information Systems - Smaller Thesis Work

Course Code:	ISGB09
Course Title:	Information Systems - Smaller Thesis Work <i>Informatik - Högskoleuppsats</i>
Credits:	7.5
Degree Level:	Undergraduate level
Progressive Specialisation:	First cycle, contains specially designed degree project for Higher Education Diploma (G1E)

Major Field of Study:
IKA (Information Systems)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2020-03-10, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2020 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

Information Systems 52 (5 ECTS credits), or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course students should be able to:

- give an account of a well-defined problem area in information systems,
- describe key parts of the research basis of information systems,
- identify and describe different stages, problems, and methodological choices involved in qualitative approaches,
- search for, collect, and critically interpret relevant information in order to formulate answers to well-defined research questions relevant for information systems,
- give an account of and discuss their own projects and the work of others, orally and in writing,

- work independently with well-defined information systems exercises, and
- discuss ethical issues relevant for information systems.

Content

Students carry out an independent project based on a given research question, including writing an essay which outlines the connection between the project and the research basis of the area of inquiry. The course begins with a seminar series focusing on different methods in the field of information systems and on the structures and principles of academic reports. Instruction is then in the form of supervision in groups according to a fixed schedule. Supervision is only offered to students while the course is in progress. Students who fail to complete the project satisfactorily during this time may re-register at the next course opportunity. They will then be offered additional supervision to the extent made possible by available resources.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on a degree project presented in a seminar, and performance as a peer reviewer of another student's project. The number of examination opportunities is limited to five.

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.