



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Information Systems

Syllabus

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Arts and Social Sciences on 14 January 2014, and is valid from the Autumn semester of 2014 at Karlstad University.

Course Code: ISGC00

Information Systems: Practical Training, 7.5 ECTS Credits
(Informatik, praktik, 7.5 Swedish credit points)

Degree Level: Bachelor

Progressive Specialisation: G2F (First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements)

Language of Instruction

English or Swedish

Prerequisites

Information Systems 60 ECTS cr of which 30 ECTS cr must be first-level subject courses.

Major Field of Study

Learning Outcomes

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

- describe the relation between theory and practice in the information systems field,
- apply theories in the field to practical life situations,
- perform analysis of a business or a system with an information systems approach,
- demonstrate ability to identify their need of further knowledge and development,
- critically assess theories and relate them to practice, and
- report their results in writing.

Content and Form of Instruction

The course includes workplace practical training in the information systems field, which can entail analysis of business as well as system development and be performed in public or private organisations. The training should encompass varied tasks at a workplace. Under supervision students practise and perform qualified, regular tasks, which should be related to completed coursework and offer opportunities to use and develop their prior knowledge and skills in the subject information systems.

Student and supervisor draw up a plan for the training with due regard to the guidelines above. Students should be given the opportunity to perform tasks according to special instructions.

The course comprises the following components:

- 1) Introductory seminar
- 2) Workplace task performance
- 3) Final seminar

Students develop their theoretical knowledge by participating in seminars and document their experiences in an 8 to 12-page report and present and discuss them at a concluding seminar. Distance students need equipment for Internet communication including web camera to follow the course.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on an individually composed workplace report/investigation which is discussed and assessed at a mandatory final seminar. The report should clearly indicate the relation between workplace tasks and the questions posed. Assessment is also based on the certificate issued by the field supervisor specifying details of the placement and the tasks performed. At least 80% workplace attendance rate is required for a Pass grade. Students who fail to get a Pass grade for the placement period are required to arrange a new placement and complete a new period.

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 assessment is based on student views and experiences as reported in written course evaluations and/or group discussions. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of the measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional Information

Students who enrolled before 1 July 2007 will complete their studies in accordance with the requirements of the earlier admission. Upon completion students may request degree and course certificates to be issued under the current ordinance if they meet its requirements.

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

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