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Faculty of Social and Life Sciences Human Geography

Syllabus

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Social and Life Sciences on 21 April 2011, and is valid from the Autumn semester of 2011 at Karlstad University.

Course Code: KGGB47

Social Planning: Practical Training, 30 ECTS Credits (Samhällsplanering, praktik, 30 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

Swedish. Practical placement abroad can require additional language.

Prerequisites

Admission to the Spatial and Social Planning programme at Karlstad University and completed programme courses of 90 ECTS cr.

Special requirements:

The course is optional for students on the spatial and social planning programme at Karlstad University and, if chosen, should be taken as part of term 5. Students who study part of the programme at other universities must have been registered on courses at Karlstad University in the preceding term to be eligible for a practical placement.

Only students who have completed the first four terms of the Spatial and Social Planning programme in accordance with the current programme plan, or equivalent, are eligible for the practical training course. No more than 15 ECTS credits for the previous terms may be lacking.

Major Field of Study

KGA (Human Geography), SKA (Political Science), SOA (Sociology)

Learning Outcomes

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

- apply theoretical knowledge in practice,
- evaluate and assess the work area in question,
- apply knowledge of working independently and in cooperation with others in the field of social planning.

Content and Form of Instruction

Instruction is in the form of practical placement.

Course content

The practical training is adjusted to the needs and conditions of the workplace and the student. The student is

expected to participate actively in the general and daily tasks in the workplace in order to gain knowledge of the varying areas involved in social planning and investigation projects.

The student and field supervisor draw up a plan for the placement together with consideration to the guidelines above. The student should be given the opportunity to carry out tasks according to special directives.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based:

- attendance at the workplace during the hours aggreed on
- three writte PMs related to the placement
- practical placement report: signed by the field supervisor
- participation in the concluding seminar

A student who, in the examiner's judgement, will fail to obtain a Pass grade for the placement component on the grounds of grave and unprofessional conduct at the workplace may be required to immediately discontinue the placement.

Grades

One of the grades Fail (U), Pas (G), or Distinction (VG) 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.

Spatial and Social Planning programme course, term 5.

As stipulated in the Higher Education Act Ch. 2, sect. 6, SFS 1992: 1434, and Regulations of Student Expulsion from Higher Education SFS 1987: 915, a student who suffers from mental disorder, abuses alcohol or drugs, or has been guilty of a serious offence endangering others or valuable property can be expelled until further notice. In such a case, the Rector files a complaint to the Expulsion Board of Higher Education, which investigates the matter and makes a decision. A decision of expulsion shall always entail that the student must discontinue the education until further notice. The Expulsion Board of Higher Education is responsible for all Swedish higher education institutions.

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