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Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Human Geography

Syllabus

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Arts and Social Sciences on 19 November 2013, and is valid from the Autumn semester of 2014 at Karlstad University.

Course Code: KGGB49

Spatial Planning in Practice, 7.5 ECTS Credits

(Fysisk planering i praktiken, 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

Swedish

Prerequisites

Spatial and Social Planning programme courses 60 ECTS cr or equivalent

Major Field of Study

KGA (Human Geography)

Learning Outcomes

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

- give an account of the law-regulated local planning process,
- apply different analysis methods, roles, and approaches in the local planning process,
- run a planning process from start to consultation,
- develop local planning documents,
- give an account of how a consultative meeting on a spatial planning takes place.

Content and Form of Instruction

Students apply previously acquired knowledge to running a local planning project from start to the consultative stage. The project is continuously coordinated with an external project group giving feedback on the work. The focus is on the process of developing a local plan rather than the product. Therefore different roles, approaches, dialogues, and result presentation are discussed, and alternate with practical exercises in, for example, drafting, analysing and accounting. Students acquire knowledge of the basics of physical planning and its application and of the planning of public space. Students further study analysis models, formal local planning and implementation based on the Planning and Building Act.

Instruction is in the form of lectures, seminars, exercises and supervision. A major project is carried out in groups. Students also participate in meetings on a local plan.

Supervision is provided for the course duration. Re-registered students are offered supervision only if circumstances permit.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on a group project presented and discussed at a seminar, on students' comments on other student projects, and on an individual PM on the work process and an account of the consultative meeting. Assessment is also based on mandatory components such as seminars, workshops and laboratory sessions. The number of examination opportunities is limited to five.

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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