



Faculty of Arts and Social Science  
Human Geography

## Syllabus

### Spatial Planning in Practice

<b>Course Code:</b>	KGGB49
<b>Course Title:</b>	Spatial Planning in Practice <i>Fysisk planering i praktiken</i>
<b>Credits:</b>	7.5
<b>Degree Level:</b>	Undergraduate level
<b>Progressive Specialisation:</b>	First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements (G2F)

**Major Field of Study:**  
KGA (Human Geography)

#### Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Science 2015-10-28, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2016 at Karlstad University.

#### Prerequisites

Spatial and Social Planning programme courses 60 ECTS cr or equivalent

#### 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

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 current 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, and on students' comments on other student projects, and on two individual PM assignments. Assessment is also based on mandatory components such as seminars, workshops and laboratory sessions.

Mandatory components can take place outside of Karlstad depending on in which municipality the project case is. The project case meetings are mandatory and may entail extra travelling costs for students. Areas within a radius of 10 Sw miles from Karlstad are possible locations. Cost estimate is presented at the course start.

### **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 course is an optional course for the Spatial and Social Planning programme at Karlstad University in semester 5. The course is also open to programme graduates if there are available places.

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.