



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Cultural Studies

## Syllabus

### Introduction to cultural policy

<b>Course Code:</b>	KVGAS1
<b>Course Title:</b>	Introduction to cultural policy <i>Introduktionskurs i kulturpolitik</i>
<b>Credits:</b>	7.5
<b>Degree Level:</b>	Undergraduate level
<b>Progressive Specialisation:</b>	First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements (G1N)

**Major Field of Study:**  
KSU (Cultural Studies)

#### Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2018-02-13, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2018 at Karlstad University.

#### Prerequisites

General admission requirements

#### Learning Outcomes

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

- give an account of different stages in the emergence of cultural policy as a political area in Sweden,
- describe the foundations of national cultural policy,
- use basic cultural studies and cultural policy concepts, and
- describe and reflect on the content in central cultural policy theories of the role of culture in society, consumer patterns and media behaviour, political governance of the culture sector and the funding and economisation of culture.

#### Content

The course deals with the cultural political system with a focus on the emergence of cultural policy as a political area, the foundations of national cultural policy and current cultural policy theories of art and the role of culture in society, consumer patterns and media behaviour, political governance of the culture sector and the funding and economisation of culture. Swedish circumstances provide the starting-point. The course includes guest lectures by academic cultural historians and theorists.

#### Reading List

See separate document.

#### Examination

Assessment is based on individual and group hand-in assignments, which are presented and discussed in mandatory seminars.

**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.

Culture, Policy and Management Programme (HGKVP) course