



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Cultural Studies

Syllabus

The practice of cultural policy

Course Code:	KVGAS2
Course Title:	The practice of cultural policy <i>Kulturpolitikens praktik</i>
Credits:	7.5
Degree Level:	Undergraduate level
Progressive Specialisation:	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:

- describe the foundations of municipal and regional cultural policy,
- reflect on the international cooperation in the culture sector and EU cultural policy,
- give an account of cultural political systems with a focus on the practice in the field of culture, and the cultural political infrastructure and legitimacy as well as cultural policy and artistic quality and accessibility, participation and representativity,
- give an account of the activities of cultural institutions and their cultural political governance, and
- analyse and discuss cultural policy practices and cultural activities in terms of aspects of power, class, gender, ethnicity and variations in function.

Content

The course deals with cultural political systems with a focus on municipal and regional cultural policy, international cooperation and EU cultural policy as well as cultural field practices and their cultural policy governed activities. Central aspects such as the cultural political infrastructure and legitimacy as well as cultural policy and artistic quality and accessibility, participation and representativity are studied in terms of aspects of power, class, gender, ethnicity and variations in function. The course includes guest lectures give by practitioners in various cultural activities and study visits to different types of cultural institutions.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on individual written and assignments 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