

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Cultural Studies

# Syllabus

# **Cultural Heritage**

| Course Code:                       | KVGAU2   |
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| <b>Course Title:</b>               | Cultural Heritage  |
|                                    | Kulturarv  |
| Credits:                           | 7.5  |
| Degree Level:                      | 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 2017-02-22, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2017 at Karlstad University.

# Prerequisites

General admission requirements

# **Learning Outcomes**

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

- give an account of how cultural heritage is constructed, handled and consumed, nationally and globally,

- give an account of how cultural heritage is conveyed through institutions such as museums and cultural tourism,

- analyse and problematise cultural heritage in terms of concepts such as tradition, canon, authenticity, history use and identity, and

- analyse the political dimension of cultural heritage and different types of cultural heritage concepts.

# Content

The importance of cultural heritage is introduced nationally and globally with an emphasis on history use, museums and cultural tourism. The focus is on how cultural heritage is constructed, handled and conveyed, but also how it is used and consumed. Essential aspects are the political dimensions of cultural heritage, different conceptualisations of cultural heritage and concepts such as tradition, canon, authenticity and identity.

# **Reading List**

See separate document.

#### Examination

Assessment is based on individual hand-in assignments presented and discusses in mandatory seminars, a group hand-in assignment presented and discussed orally, and an individual take-home

exam.

#### 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 KVGAU2 cannot be included in the same degree programme as the courses KVGB21 or KVGBKA.

The local regulations for studies at the Bachelor and Master levels at Karlstad University stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.