



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Cultural Studies

Syllabus

Essay II: Cultural studies

Course Code:	KVGC02
Course Title:	Essay II: Cultural studies <i>Självständigt arbete II: Kulturstudier</i>
Credits:	15
Degree Level:	Undergraduate level
Progressive Specialisation:	First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree proj. for B.A./B.Sc. (G2E)

Major Field of Study:
KSU (Cultural Studies)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2017-08-29, and is valid from the Spring semester 2018 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

Cultural Studies 60 ECTS cr, including KVGBS1 Essay I: Cultural studies, 7.5 ECTS cr and KVGBM1 Cultural Studies Methods I, 7.5 ECTS cr, or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

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

- analyse cultural policy issues,
- use the theories and methods of cultural studies to analyse the cultural sector,
- present their own cultural studies investigations and their results in the form of a well written, lucid and clear essay,
- discuss and defend their own academic essays, and
- review, assess and discuss the academic works of others.

Content

Students analyse the contemporary cultural sector in terms of its forms of expression, fields of activities and situation in relation to current cultural policy, and carry out an independently written essay, which is discussed in a final seminar. Students are also required to serve as a peer reviewer.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Learning outcomes are assessed on the basis of a written independent project, presented and discussed in a mandatory seminar and on their performance as peer reviewer.

The independent project can be submitted for assessment five times at the most.

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.

The course KVGC02 cannot be included in the same degree programme as the courses KVGC61 or KVGA06.