



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Cultural Studies

Syllabus

Art History and Visual Studies: early image and building cultures

Course Code:	KVGK29
Course Title:	Art History and Visual Studies: early image and building cultures <i>Konst- och bildvetenskap: tidiga bild- och byggnadskulturer</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 2017-09-01, and is valid from the Spring 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 central aspects of European and non-European image and building cultures from prehistoric age to the Medieval period,
- give examples of how European and non-European image and building cultures have been influenced by prehistoric and Medieval periods, and
- discuss how visual and architectonic representations reflect power, class, gender, ethnicity and religious conceptions in the prehistoric age to the Medieval period.

Content

The course includes identifying visual remnants and fragments of prehistoric image and building cultures and studies of the major world cultures and religions as manifested in image, architecture and environments in the prehistoric to the medieval period.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on individual written hand-in assignments, presented and discussed in mandatory seminars on campus or off campus via a learning platform for distance students.

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 corresponds to module 2 in Art History and Visual Studies I.