



Board of Teacher Education  
History

## Syllabus

### Degree project, Secondary education - History and History Teaching

<b>Course Code:</b>	LXAA05
<b>Course Title:</b>	Degree project, Secondary education - History and History Teaching <i>Examensarbete för ämneslärare - historia med didaktisk inriktning</i>
<b>Credits:</b>	15
<b>Degree Level:</b>	Master's level
<b>Progressive Specialisation:</b>	Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements (A1F)

#### Major Field of Study:

#### Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Board of Teacher Education 2019-08-21, and is valid from the Spring semester 2020 at Karlstad University.

#### Prerequisites

HIAL92 (22.5 ECTS credits), LPAA03 (7.5 ECTS credits), LPGA10 (15 ECTS credits), and LPGA11 (15 ECTS credits), or equivalent

#### Learning Outcomes

The aim of the course is that students develop further knowledge of research and development and the ability to independently carry out a research project on a subject education topic with relevance to their future profession as a teacher.

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

- independently identify, formulate, and delimit a relevant history-specific teaching problem,
- apply methods for literature searches and seek and select relevant literature for the chosen problem,
- collect, process, and compile an empirical material,
- refer to, analyse, and critically review research literature and empirical material from the perspective of a teaching methodological question,
- give arguments for the chosen methods and theories and completed data collection and analyses, and identify potential sources of error, in relation to chosen methods and theories,
- evaluate the result of their project in relation to previous research and identify the needs of further research in the area,
- structure a written work with adequate language and appropriate treatment of formal aspects,
- give arguments for legal restrictions and ethical principles in using different methods and material in research,
- defend their project orally and serve as a peer reviewer of other students' projects

### **Content**

Students carry out an independent project based on a subject-specific teaching issue, under supervision.

The course comprises the following components:

- formulation of topic, purpose, and research question
- research ethical perspectives
- choice of approach with arguments for its relation to the research question
- systematic literature search in the chosen area
- collection, processing, and compilation of empirical material
- analysis and discussion of the empirical material in the light of theory, purpose, and research questions
- written documentation of the research project
- presentation and defense of the project
- critical review of other students' projects

### **Reading List**

See separate document.

### **Examination**

Learning outcomes 1-7 are assessed on the basis of a written independent project. Learning outcome 8 is assessed on the basis of a written assignment. Learning outcome 9 is assessed on the basis of seminar defence and peer reviewing.

The number of reassessment opportunities is limited to five.

If students have a decision from Karlstad University entitling them to special pedagogical support due to a documented disability, the examiner has the right to give such students an adapted examination or to examine them in a different manner.

### **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.

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