



Faculty of Health, Science and Technology
Oral Health

Syllabus

Public Health and Oral Health Promotion

Course Code:	OHG011
Course Title:	Public Health and Oral Health Promotion <i>Folkhälsa och oral hälsopromotion</i>
Credits:	7.5
Degree Level:	Undergraduate level
Progressive Specialisation:	First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements (G1F)

Major Field of Study:
OHA (Oral Health)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Health, Science and Technology 2023-02-21, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2023 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

45 ECTS credits completed in the Programme in Dental Hygiene, and registered on the courses Health psychology and communication (7.5 ECTS credits) and Oral Health Prevention - Clinical Studies I (7.5 ECTS credits)

Learning Outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- give an account of the meaning of basic concepts in the field of public health science,
- describe theories and models of health promotion,
- demonstrate knowledge of relevant ordinances in the field of public health,
- give an account of health determinants in a life cycle perspective and their significance for oral health,

- give an account of the meaning of human rights in relation to oral health,
- explain the concepts domestic violence and men's violence against women, as well as different forms of violence,
- give an account of the meaning of the concept epidemiology as well as oral health index,
- give an account of the epidemiology of the most common oral diseases internationally and nationally,
- give an account of the concept of health literacy,

Competence and skills

- draft a plan for oral health education from an arena perspective, and identify transprofessional collaboration in the area,

Judgement and approach

- reflect upon how epidemiology can be used for oral health promotion from the perspective of public health science, and
- reflect upon the role of the dental hygienist in oral health promotion, especially regarding human rights, gender equality, and sustainable development.

Content

- Concepts, theories, and models in the field of public health science
- Ordinances in the field of public health
- Life cycle perspectives
- Health determinants
- Human rights
- Gender equality
- Domestic violence
- Epidemiology
- Health literacy
- Health education
- Transprofessional collaboration
- Sustainable development

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on:

- an individual written take-home exam,
- a written group assignment, and
- seminars.

The number of assessment opportunities is limited to five.

If students have a decision from Karlstad University entitling them to Targeted Study 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.