



Faculty of Health, Science and Technology
Nursing Science

Syllabus

Supervision in Clinical Studies I

Course Code:	OMA135
Course Title:	Supervision in Clinical Studies I <i>Handledning i verksamhetsförlagd utbildning I</i>
Credits:	7.5
Degree Level:	Master's level
Progressive Specialisation:	Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements (A1N)

Major Field of Study:
OMA (Nursing Science)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Health, Science and Technology 2023-06-15, and is valid from the Spring semester 2024 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

Licensed nurse or other licensed profession in health, nursing or social care, plus upper secondary level Swedish 3 or Swedish as a second language 3 and English 6 or A, or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

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

1. identify different pedagogical models for supervision in clinical studies,
2. reflect upon the function of the supervisor and the steps of the supervision process,
3. reflect upon different styles of learning and assess the significance of the learning environment for the learning process,
4. identify and assess student performance in clinical studies based on current guidelines and assessment criteria and in relation to diversity aspects and ethical issues,
5. give arguments for the importance of their own professional and skills development in

relation to life-long learning and collaboration between different professions, and
6. reflect upon and apply scientific evidence in supervision and its applicability in clinical studies.

Content

This is a web-based course which includes a number of digital meetings. Instruction is in the form of self-study, introductory lectures, seminars, peer review, and discussion in the virtual learning environment, as well as digital communication.

The aim of the course is for students to acquire in-depth theoretical knowledge of supervision models in order to be able to supervise students in clinical studies. Groups of students discuss and reflect upon diversity and ethical issues related to their own professional experience of students and supervision, as well as assigned cases. An important part of the course is to discuss and reflect upon their own and other students' experiences of supervision.

The course covers the following:

- Supervision models
- Teaching
- Learning process/style
- Learning environment
- Person-centred care
- The function of supervision
- Supervision process
- Communication and relationship processes
- Models for reflection
- Formative and summative assessment of student performance
- Ethical issues and diversity aspects
- Life-long learning, interprofessional learning, teamwork

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is individual and based on seminars and an individual take-home exam. Students submit written assignments, comments, or questions in the virtual learning environment before seminars. The take-home exam is discussed in a seminar with peer review before the final version is submitted.

Supplementary examination is permitted if 1) material for the assessment of a learning outcome is lacking, 2) if the result is close to the requirements for a Pass grade. Additional material must be submitted within six days of notification.

The examiner may decide that a student can complete a supplementary assignment instead of a mandatory course component.

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.

The course OMA135 cannot be included in the same degree programme as the course OMGB78.

Students are required to have access to the Internet, a computer, a webcam, and a headset.