Reg No: RVGE03/20221



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Law

Syllabus

Swedish family and medical law

Course Code: RVGE03

Course Title: Swedish family and medical law

Svensk familjerätt och hälso- och sjukvårdsrätt

Credits: 15

Degree Level: Undergraduate level

Progressive First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry

Specialisation: requirements (G1N)

Major Field of Study:

RVA (Jurisprudence)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2021-09-13, and is valid from the Spring semester 2022 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

General admission requirements plus upper secondary level English 6 or B, or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

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

- 1. give an account of the structure, function, and role of Swedish law in the area of family law and healthcare law,
- 2. demonstrate knowledge of social family law with a particular focus on the rights of children and elderly people,
- 3. demonstrate knowledge of economic family law,
- 4. demonstrate knowledge of central principles of inheritance law,
- 5. demonstrate knowledge of Swedish healthcare law, and
- 6. demonstrate knowledge of the impact of international law on Swedish family and

healthcare law.

Competence and skills

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

- 7. independently search for and collect Swedish legal source material in English which is relevant for the general area of family law and healthcare law,
- 8. identify issues and problems in the legal areas of Swedish family law and healthcare law,
- 9. solve Swedish legal problems in the area of family law and healthcare law, and
- 10. present oral and written arguments on legal issues.

Judgement and approach

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

- 11. evaluate the usefulness of different legal sources when solving a legal problem,
- 12. give an account of and reflect upon the possibilities and limitations of legal conflict resolution methods in the area of Swedish family law and healthcare law, and
- 13. give an account of and evaluate certain current and relevant perspectives on Swedish family law and healthcare law.

Content

The course treats the organisation of the Swedish legal system and the working methods of jurisprudence, especially in relation to family law and healthcare law.

The course focuses specifically on Swedish family law and healthcare law. In relation to family law, the course treats legal issues pertaining to children, parents, elderly people, marriage, property settlements, and inheritance. In relation to laws that concern the elderly, the course covers elderly people's right to work and housing as well as the responsibility of the social services. In relation to healthcare law, the course treats the Swedish healthcare system from a legal perspective, including everyone's right to good care and issues of responsibility when various caregivers make mistakes.

legal areas: welfare law, family law, and medicine law. In relation to welfare law, students discuss the responsibility of municipalities and social services for vulnerable persons, the right to assistance, and so on. The basics of the Swedish social insurance system are included, with a special focus on the right to compensation due to illness. The course also treats the specific character of compulsory treatment legislation. In relation to family law, the course covers for instance the legal aspects of marriage, property settlements, and inheritance. In relation to medicine law, the Swedish healthcare system is discussed from a legal perspective, including the right to good care and the issue of responsibility when caregivers fail to provide it.

Instruction is in the form of alternating lectures, seminars, and exercises.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on a written exam and an individual written proposal.

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.