



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Political Science

# Syllabus

## Aspects of Sweden

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| <b>Course Code:</b>                | SVGE10   |
| <b>Course Title:</b>               | Aspects of Sweden<br><i>Aspects of Sweden</i>  |
| <b>Credits:</b>                    | 7.5  |
| <b>Degree Level:</b>               | Undergraduate level  |
| <b>Progressive Specialisation:</b> | First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements (G2F) |

**Major Field of Study:**  
SKA (Political Science)

### Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2020-03-12, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2020 at Karlstad University.

### Prerequisites

60 ECTS credits completed at the first cycle level

### Learning Outcomes

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

1. demonstrate basic knowledge of Swedish history,
2. demonstrate knowledge of and discuss culture and religion in Sweden, and
3. give an account of the Swedish form of government.

### Content

The course is aimed towards exchange students who come to Sweden in order to study, and it provides an introduction to Sweden from the perspectives of history, religion, culture, and political science.

The aim of the course is to outline in general terms how Sweden has developed historically, with a focus on basic chronology and important processes, such as for instance demographic changes, relations to other countries, industrialisation, and democratisation.

The course covers the role of religion in Swedish society now and in the past, as well as how religion has influenced culture and vice versa.

Students are also introduced to the Swedish form of government, including how it is organised and what roles are played in society by municipalities, county councils, regions, the national level, and the EU.

### **Reading List**

See separate document.

### **Examination**

Assessment is based on an individual written take-home exam and a group task presented orally.

The examiner may decide that a student who is very close to a passing grade can complete a supplementary assignment to receive a passing grade for a specific examination. If this is a possibility, the students must be informed in writing no later than the start of the course, and the examiner must specify when and how such a supplementary assignment may be permitted.

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.