Faculty of Arts and
Social Sciences

Summary of course evaluation

(Do not use this form for courses within the teacher education)

Summaries for spring term courses should be signed, registered and published before 15 September. For summer and autumn semester courses the equivalent date is 15 March.

Information about the course opportunity

Code	Name		Credits
ISAD12	Scientific Theory and Methodology		7,5 ECTS cr.

Semester	Number of	Type of course	Internet platform
Autumn 2014	registered students	☒ Campus	☐ None
	3	☐ Distance	☒ It's learning
Registration code		☐ Other	☐ Other
23625			

Course coordinator	Examiner
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Information about the course evaluation

Date	Number of	Method	Summary made by
2014-12-27	answers	☒ Computor	Odd Fredriksson
	2	☐ Paper	
		☐ Oral	

Strengths of the course according to the students

Q1: What are your main impressions from this course?

"- My general impression about the course is very positive. Through realizing an own research proejct, reading the course literature and especially through very personal tutoring I gained a lot knowledge which will be very helpfully for future research projects, e.g. my master thesis."

"- Good knowledge about scientific methods and how to conduct a research project."

Q2: What individual knowledge acquired/lessons learned have you gained from participating in this course?

"- I gained a lot of skills in conducting research projects, applying different quantitative & qualitative research methods and how to plan/organize a research project."

"- Knowledge about the various different method considerations during a scientific research project."

Q3: What has been the best with participating in this course?

"- The best was the low number of participants through which it was possible to get individual support by the tutor."

"- The "own" research project."

Q8: Do you want to recommend this course to others? Why? Why not?

"- I would strongly recommend this course to others because conducting an own research project with additional personal tutoring is a unique possibility to enhance your skills in conducting research projects while getting helpfully advices by your tutor. Especially the periodical meetings were a great help to discuss upcoming questions concerning the implementation and structure of

a research process."
"- Yes. It is a good course to participate in, to gain knowledge about the different methodological considerations during a research project."

The Student Union's two compulsory questions:
1. Perceived ovarall quality of the course on a scale between 1 (very low) and 5 (very high):
4.
2. Perceived work load on a scale between 1 (very low) and 5 (very high): 4.

Weaknesses of the course according to the students
"- According to my opinion, the course required a much higher workload than justified by the given 7,5 credits. Especially the own research project required a lot of time. But as I chose the scope of my topic, this is also up to me. But for the future, my improvement proposal would be to pay more attention to the students' topic selection and support them to figure out an appropiate scope for the research project which is realizable in scheduled time."
"- The amount of work to carry out. For a 7,5 point course it is too much, in my opinion. Either a qualitative or quantitative study would be more realistic to complete during the course."

Analysis of the evaluation results
The participants perceived the quality of the course to be high, but perceived that the work load was too high.

Measures planned
Consider the level of the course design.

Measures taken

How was feedback given to the students?
Via the course page.

Further information
The course is part of the Master Programme in Information Systems (SAINF). The course is open for Business Administration and Information Systems students (60 ECTS cr. or equivalent).

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Signature by prefect or equivalent