



SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES

SFGS371 Anthropological Engagement, 5 credits

Antropologins engagemang, 5 högskolepoäng

Third-cycle level / Forskarnivå

Confirmation

This syllabus was confirmed by the Department of Global Studies on 2019-01-10, and is valid from Autumn semester 2016.

Responsible Department

School of Global Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences

Entry requirements

General entrance requirements for studies in the third cycle.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- identify key scientific problems and ethical questions relating to anthropological engagement;
- relate anthropological engagement to the development of epistemological questions in the discipline;

Competence and skills

- analyze the theoretical and ethical questions that are posed by cooperation, application and interaction;

Judgement and approach

- make ethical assessments regarding anthropological engagement.

Course content

The course aims to give an overview of anthropology's varied ways of engaging with the world and to identify the core scientific problems and ethical challenges that these present. The course covers various ways of regarding the applicability of anthropological knowledge and addresses issues of responsibility in different thematic fields. It also examines experiences of interdisciplinary work, collaborating with informants, disseminating results and engaging in public debate. Finally, the course discusses the potential and limitations of anthropological engagement from different theoretical approaches and it highlights the methodological and ethical implications of anthropology's role in modern society.

Types of instruction

The course is taught through lectures, seminars and individual work. It may also be offered as a reading course comprising independent study with teaching taking the form of discussion and supervision.

The grading scale comprises Pass (G) and Fail (U).

To be awarded a Pass grade for the course requires that all parts of the examination meet the criteria for a Pass grade.

When the course is given as a seminar attendance in 2/3 of the scheduled seminars is required for a Pass grade.

Language of instruction

The course is given in Swedish but can be given in English if necessary.

Grades

The grade Pass (G) or Fail (U) is given in this course.

Types of assessment

The course is examined both orally and in writing. Written examination takes the form of assignments according to the teacher's instruction.

If a student, who has failed the same examined component twice, wishes to change examiner before the next examination, a written application shall be sent to the department responsible for the course and shall be granted unless there are special reasons to the contrary.

In cases where a course has been discontinued or has undergone major changes, the student shall normally be guaranteed at least three examination occasions (including the ordinary examination) during a period of at least one year from the last time the course was given.

Course evaluation

The course ends with a written evaluation. The results will be communicated to the students who participated in the evaluation, as well as to the participants in the next course.