



## SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES

### **SFGS374 Individual Specialization, 7.5 credits**

Individuell specialisering, 7,5 högskolepoäng

*Third-cycle level / Forskarnivå*

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#### **Confirmation**

This syllabus was confirmed by the Department of Global Studies on 2019-10-03, 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 particular regional, theoretical or methodological factors of relevance for the dissertation's research questions, the student's analysis and ethical stance;

##### *Competence and skills*

- discuss the role of the chosen factors in the analysis of ethnographic data;

##### *Judgement and approach*

- compare and assess the significance of different regional, theoretical and methodological factors for the dissertation;
- assess the significance of regional, theoretical or methodological knowledge in designing relevant research questions and making analytical and ethical considerations.

#### **Course content**

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The course aims to familiarize the doctoral student with factors of relevance to the proposed dissertation work. These may concern region, theory or method. The student will discuss the importance of these factors for understanding the dissertation's research object. The course also covers the way in which earlier studies in the research field have made use of concepts from regional, theoretical or methodological discourses and will explore how the dissertation work may problematize these. Finally, the course aims to evaluate knowledge about particular factors for defining relevant research questions and making methodological, analytical and ethical considerations.

## **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.

### *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.

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 in the form of seminars, attendance in 2/3 of the scheduled seminars is required for a Pass grade.

## **Course evaluation**

The course ends with a written evaluation.