



## DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### **EKG102 Economic Geography: International Trade and Production, 7.5 credits**

Ekonomisk geografi: Internationell handel och produktion, 7,5 högskolepoäng  
*First Cycle*

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#### **Confirmation**

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Business Administration on 2020-02-24 to be valid from 2020-08-31, autumn semester of 2020.

*Field of education:* Social Sciences 100%

*Department:* Department of Business Administration

#### **Position in the educational system**

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

#### *Main field of studies*

Economic Geography

#### *Specialization*

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

#### **Entry requirements**

General entrance requirements

#### **Learning outcomes**

After passing the course the student should be able to:

1. explain and develop scientific arguments concerning the localization patterns of the economy, national and international production systems, and global trade patterns.

The qualitative targets for a Degree of Bachelor are related to the course's intended learning outcomes as follows:

<b>Qualitative targets</b>	<b>Learning outcomes</b>
<i>Knowledge and understanding</i>	1
<i>Skills and abilities</i>	1
<i>Judgement and approach</i>	1

### **Course content**

The course analyzes the growth of the international division of labor, national production systems, and the development of economic networks dominated by the large transnational companies and the growing importance of foreign direct investment. The course then studies how the above changes affects the direction and extent of transport, as well as the social effects of globalization, such as gender differences, both in developing and in industrialized countries. The course contains a compulsory assignment where the student is trained in the ability to use international publications with information on the global distribution of industrial production, foreign trade and foreign direct investment.

### **Form of teaching**

Lectures and seminars.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish

Teaching in English may occur.

### **Assessment**

The learning outcome is assessed through a written exam and an assignment.

If the student has been granted special educational support from the University of Gothenburg because of a disability, the examiner has the right to offer the student an adapted test.

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 (Chapter 6, Section 22 of Higher Education Ordinance).

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.

### **Grades**

The grading scale comprises: Excellent (A), Very good (B), Good (C), Satisfactory (D), Sufficient (E) and Fail (F).

To pass the course, a student must receive a passing grade on all intended learning outcomes. This means a passing grade (A-E) on the individual exam and Pass (G) on the exercise assignment. The course grade (A-F) is based on the written exam.

### **Grade (Definition) Characteristic:**

A (Excellent) A distinguished result that is excellent with regard to theoretical depth, practical relevance, analytical ability and independent thought.

B (Very good) A very good result with regard to theoretical depth, practical relevance, analytical ability and independent thought.

C (Good) The result is of a good standard with regard to theoretical depth, practical relevance, analytical ability and independent thought and lives up to expectations.

D (Satisfactory) The result is of a satisfactory standard with regard to theoretical depth, practical relevance, analytical ability and independent thought.

E (Sufficient) The result satisfies the minimum requirements with regard to theoretical depth, practical relevance, analytical ability and independent thought, but not more.

F (Fail) The result does not meet the minimum requirements with regard to theoretical depth, practical relevance, analytical ability and independent thought.

Some occasional examination elements of the course may have the grading scale UG (Fail/Pass).

### **Course evaluation**

Course evaluation is anonymous and is issued either via the learning platform or via a written questionnaire at the last timetabled lesson or at the examination.

The results of and possible changes to the course will be shared with students who are starting the course.