



DEPARTMENT OF EARTH SCIENCES

GEO245 Master thesis in Geography, 45 credits

Geografi, examensarbete, 45 högskolepoäng

Second Cycle

Confirmation

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Earth Sciences on 2011-09-05 and was last revised on 2017-05-18 to be valid from 2017-05-18, autumn semester of 2017.

Field of education: Science 100%

Department: Department of Earth Sciences

Position in the educational system

The course is included in a Degree of Master (120 credits) in geography and can also be read as a freestanding course.

The course contains degree project for Degree of Master (120 credits) in geography

The course can be part of the following programme: 1) Master's Programme in Geography (N2GEO)

Main field of studies

Geography

Specialization

A1F, Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Entry requirements

For admission to the course, Degree of Bachelor (180 credits) in the main field of study geography is required, or physical geography, or human geography as well as completed advanced courses in geography of at least 45 credits with at least passed result. Students with equivalent education can after assessment be given admission to the course.

Learning outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

- Show knowledge and understanding of geographic issues

Competence and skills

- independently plan and carry out geographic studies as well as present the result orally and in writing
- independently search, choose and evaluate geographic information
- use various types of geographic examination methods and analytical methods
- good knowledge of project management and carry out assignments within given time frames

Judgement and approach

- critically identify, formulate, analyse, evaluate and discuss geographic data and achieved results and other information both in writing and orally.

Course content

The course consists of a project work of 45 credits. In the work, planning, material collection, processing and presentation of project work during teachers' management are included. In the work, also such literature reading that is necessary for the implementation of the project is included.

The teaching consists of supervision and seminar exercises. The course is given full-time during 30 weeks or is divided during 3 semesters.

Form of teaching

The project work is presented in writing through a thesis that should be presented at a seminar. Student should also review on another degree project in geography. Participation in seminars is compulsory.

Language of instruction: Swedish and English

Assessment

Components 1 Thesis in geography, cultural geographic specialisation (Thesis in Geography, major in Human Geography), 45 credits Fail/Pass/V

Components 1 Thesis in geography, physical geography specialisation (Thesis in Geography, major in Physical Geography), 45 credits Fail/Pass/V

A student has the right to request a change of examiner if failed twice on the same exam, if this is practically possible. The application shall be sent to the board of the department and has to be in writing.

Grades

The grading scale comprises: Pass with Distinction (VG), Pass (G) and Fail (U).

Course evaluation

Course evaluation is carried out partly in connection with examination seminar and partly through the course platform where the student can participate anonymously. A compilation of the result of the course evaluation is available via the study administration at the department.

Additional information