

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMY AND SOCIETY

KGA112 Globalization, urbanisation and unequal development, 7.5 credits

Globalisering, urbanisering och ojämlik utveckling, 7,5 högskolepoäng Second Cycle

Confirmation

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Economy and Society on 2015-11-30 and was last revised on 2019-05-16 to be valid from 2019-09-02, autumn semester of 2019.

Field of education: Social Sciences 100% *Department:* Department of Economy and Society

Position in the educational system

The course is a single subject course and can be included as an elective course within the Master's Programme in Geography (N2GEO).

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Main field of studies Human and Economic Geography Specialization

A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course Globalization, urbanisation and unequal development the participants must fulfil the entrance requirements for Bachelor's Degree, 180 hec. Applicants must prove their knowledge of English: English 6/English B from Swedish Upper Secondary School or the equalivalent level of an internationally recognized test, for example TOEFL, IELTS.

Learning outcomes

After completed course, the students should be capable of

Knowledge and understanding

explaining complex relationships between globalisation, development and urban environments

explaining conflicting aims between social, economic and environmental sustainability from a north-south perspective

Competence and skills

independently discuss and analyse complex relationships between globalisation, development, and urban environments, orally and in writing

Judgement and approach

problematise and reflect about the concepts of globalisation and development

The course is sustainability-related, which means that at least one of the learning outcomes clearly shows that the course content meets at least one of the University of Gothenburg's confirmed sustainability criteria.

Course content

The course provides indepth knowledge of the complexity that relations between globalisation, development and urban environments involve from a north-south perspective.

A red thread running through the course regards processes (at different levels of scale) behind an uneven development within cities, between cities, and between urban and rural areas, as well as the consequences of this for people's formal and informal livelihood strategies and resource use. Gender aspects are in focus throughout the course.

Form of teaching

Forms of teaching are seminars and lectures.

Assessment

The course is assess through written assignments as well as participation and oral presentations at compulsory seminars. Students who fail to participate in compulsory learning activities will have to hand in written compensatory exercises.

If a student, who has failed the same examined element on two occasions, wishes to change examiner before the next examination session, such a request is to be submitted to the department in writing and granted unless there are special reasons to the contrary (Chapter 6, Section 22 of Higher Education Ordinance).

In the event that a course has ceased or undergone major changes, students are to be guaranteed at least three examination sessions (including the ordinary examination session) over a period of at least one year, though at most two years after the course has ceased/been changed. The same applies to work experience and VFU, although this is restricted to just one additional examination session.

Grades

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

Course evaluation

The course will be evaluated after completion. The results of and possible changes to the course will be shared with students who participated in the evaluation and students who are starting the course.