

Syllabus SAS H20

History: History of the Holocaust

Cycle: 1st (Undergraduate)

Higher education credits: 7.5

Syllabus approved by the Syllabus Committee of the Faculty of the Humanities and Theology
23rd October 2007.

The course is offered as a single course. It can normally be included as part of a general degree at the undergraduate or graduate levels. With the approval of the relevant authenticating body, it can also be included in certain professional degrees.

The language of instruction is English.

Learning Outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

- be able to demonstrate basic knowledge of the causes and mechanisms leading to the Holocaust
- be able to describe how the Holocaust affected post-war political and cultural discourses
- be able to place the Holocaust in the context of other genocides committed both before and after World War II.
- be able to communicate information about the Holocaust.
- be able to discuss how the Holocaust has affected social discourse
- be able to discuss how people have handled the trauma of the Holocaust.

Course Content

The course provides the students with an introduction to the study of the Holocaust - the term used to describe the killing of the European Jews - and its causes and mechanisms. It provides a basis on which to seek answers to difficult questions, such as why this tragedy occurred. By examining the circumstances and mechanisms leading to genocide, and especially to the Holocaust, students are oriented in post-war interpretations and debates. Students are also introduced to the effects of the Holocaust; in which ways the Holocaust has affected post-war political and cultural discourses and the reasons behind the delayed interest in it. The Holocaust is also put into context of other genocides committed both before and after World War II.

Teaching and Assessment

Teaching consists of lectures and seminars. Active participation at seminars is obligatory.

Examination may take the following forms: written examination, oral examination, the writing and presentation of an essay, or a combination of the above in accordance with the instructions given by the teacher.

Grades

Students are awarded one of the following grades: Fail, Pass or Pass with Distinction

Foreign students and Swedish students intending to use their qualifications abroad have the right to a supplementary ECTS grading. Students must request such a grading at the latest three weeks from the start of the course. This request is made to the director of studies or the equivalent authority.

Admission Requirements

To be eligible for the course requires the basic eligibility for study at universities or university colleges in Sweden, or the equivalent. International students are exempted from the basic eligibility requirement of proficiency in Swedish.

Literature

For reading lists and other relevant educational materials see appendix

Further Information

The course replaces EUR 107

The points allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Priority is given to exchange students. Students are required to have good knowledge of written and spoken English.