Department of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies



Syllabus

for course at first level

Middle East: Minorities and Migration Mellanöstern: Minoriteter och migration

7.5 Higher Education Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

 Course code:
 ABMGF1

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 2021-09-08

Department Department of Asian and Middle Eastern studies

Main field: Mellanösterns språk och kulturer

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

Decision

This syllabus was adopted by the Board of the Department of Asian, Middle Eastern and Turkish Studies.

The Board of the Department of Asian, Middle Eastern and Turkish Studies has decided on the revised version.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Swedish upper secondary school course English B, or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination codeNameHigher Education CreditsAB01Middle East: Minorities and Migration7.5

Course content

This course gives an overview of minorities in the Middle East by illuminating the historical development and contemporary situation of a number of minority groups. The course also treats the reasons behind and the consequences of the extensive migration of minorities from the Middle East to Europe. Within this framework, the course deals with previous research about migration, religion, ethnicity and the relation between state and society, as well as theoretical discourses about diaspora and identity.

Learning outcomes

After finishing the course the student is expected to:

- show basic knowledge about the historical development and current distribution of a selection of minorities in the Middle East,
- show comprehensive knowledge about contemporary political and social challenges regarding minorities in the Middle East,
- show basic knowledge about the history of migration and current migration waves in the Middle East.
- show basic knowledge about, and ability, to relate to previous research and theory formation about ethnicity, religion, identity and migration.

Education

The instruction will consist of lectures and seminars. Attendance on all instruction is compulsory. The instruction will be conducted in the language stated for the respective course instance. For more detailed information please refer to the course description. The course description will be available one month before

the course starts.

Forms of examination

a) The course is examined on the basis of one group-presentations, one small hand in assignment and one written exam at the end of the course. The principles for the weighting of the individual exam assignments is made clear in the grading criteria. The language of examination, Swedish or English, will be the language stated for the respective course instance. For more detailed information please refer to the course description. The course description will be available one month before the course starts.

If a student has a certificate with recommendations for special pedagogical support due to a long-term disability, the examiner can adapt the examination or allow the student an alternative examination.

b) Grades will be set according to a seven point scale related to the learning objectives of the course:

A = Excellent

B= Very good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Adequate

Fx = Inadequate

F = Totally Inadequate

- c) The student will be informed of the written grading criteria when the course starts. The communicated grading criteria are binding.
- d) In order to pass the course, students must receive a grade of E or higher on all examinations and meet the attendance requirement of 80 percent.

Under special circumstances, the examiner may, after consulting with the coordinating teacher, grant the student an exemption from the obligation to participate in certain mandatory teaching. The student may then be assigned a compensatory assignment.

e) At least two examination opportunities should be offered for each course when it is given. At least one examination opportunity should be offered during an academic year when the course is not given. Students who receive the grade Fx or F twice by the same examiner are entitled to have another examiner appointed for the next examination, unless there are special reasons to the contrary. Such requests should be made to the person responsible for the course.

A student who receives the grade E or higher may not retake the examination to attain a higher grade.

f) The completion of a supplementary assignment in order to convert the grade Fx into a passing grade is not permitted for this course.

Interim

When the syllabus is discontinued, a student has the right to be examined according to this syllabus once per semester during a winding up period of three semesters.

Limitations

This course may not be included in a degree together with a passed course, taken in Sweden or elsewhere, of identical or partially similar content.

Required reading

For up-to-date information about required reading, please refer to the department website at www.su.se/asia/mena. The current reading list will be made available at least two months before the course starts.