

Syllabus

for course at advanced level

Media Studies: Keywords for the Present

Mediestudier: Aktuella perspektiv och forskningsfrågor

7.5 Higher Education

Credits

7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	FV7330
Valid from:	Autumn 2021
Date of approval:	2021-02-17
Department	Department of Media Studies
Main field:	Cinema History and Theory/Cinema Studies
Specialisation:	A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus was established and adopted by the Faculty Board of Humanities 2014-03-12.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Bachelor's course 30 ECTS credits in film studies or a bachelor's degree in humanities or social sciences major. Swedish Upper Secondary School course English B/English 6 or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
FV75	Media Studies: Keywords for the Present	7.5

Course content

The course offers critical and analytical tools for the study of film and media. By focusing on concepts, theories and methodological perspectives in contemporary film- and media scholarship, the course gives an overview of the current research situation and is particularly useful for students who are planning to or already writing their master's thesis. The course's starting point is a selection of key concepts that are particularly relevant in contemporary media studies. The specific concepts explored may change between different editions of the course.

Learning outcomes

In order to pass the course, students are expected to be able to:

- discuss, analyze and problematize the scholarly concepts explored during the course;
- independently apply the scholarly concepts explored during the course in their own research questions and analyses.

Education

The teaching consists of lectures, seminars and screenings of film and other media material.

Mandatory course elements: Lectures, screenings and seminars.

The language of instruction is English.

For more information see the course description. The course description is available no later than one month

before the course start.

Forms of examination

- a. The course is assessed through a take home exam and a written assignment. For details see the course description.
- b. Grades will be set according to a seven-point grading scale related to the learning objectives of the course: A (excellent), B (very good), C (good), D (satisfactory), E (adequate), Fx (fail, some additional work required), F (fail, much more work required).
- c. Students will be informed of the written assessment criteria when the course starts.
- d. In order to pass the course, students must receive a grade E or higher on all examination assignments and complete all mandatory course elements. Under special circumstances, the examiner may, after consulting with the coordinating teacher, grant the student an exemption from mandatory course elements or mandatory assignments. The student may then be assigned a replacement assignment.
- e. At least two examination opportunities are offered each occasion the course is given. At least one examination opportunity shall also be offered during the year 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, opportunity unless there are special reasons to the contrary. Such requests should be made to the department board. Students with a final grade of 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 may be permitted if the student is close to meeting the criteria for a passing grade. The assignment should be submitted within two weeks of the examiner notifying the student of the need to complete a supplementary assignment. Adequate completions will be graded using the grades A–E.

Interim

When the course is no longer offered or its contents have been essentially revised, the student has the right to be examined according to this course syllabus once per semester for a three-semester period. However, the restrictions above under Forms of examinations still hold.

Limitations

This course cannot be included in a Bachelor's or Master's degree together with courses taken nationally or internationally of which the contents overlap with the course.

Misc

The course code for this course was previously FV7010.

Required reading

The course literature list is published on the Course website in the Course Catalogue www.su.se no later than two months before the start of the course. In Cinema Studies, film, television and other media material screened during the course are considered mandatory and thus equated to the course literature.