

**SYLLABUS**

# **Design, Gender and Aesthetics 7.5 credits G0005A**

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**Course syllabus admitted: Autumn 2023 Sp 1 - Present**

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2023-02-15**

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## Design, genus och estetik

### First cycle, G0005A

Education level	Grade scale	Subject	Subject group (SCB)
First cycle	G U 3 4 5	Industriell design	Other Subjects within Technology

## Entry requirements

In order to meet the general entry requirements for first cycle studies you must have successfully completed upper secondary education and documented skills in English language + Swedish upper secondary school course English 6.

## Selection

The selection is based on final school grades or Swedish Scholastic Aptitude Test.

## Course Aim

After the course students are expected to have acquired knowledge of basic design and gender theory, aesthetics, and basic concepts. In addition to this, students are expected to have gained familiarity with design that challenges stereotypes of women and men, feminine and masculine.

## Contents

The course is based on evidence, but avoids being too theoretical. Ability to reflect and formulate impressions and assessments is the target.

The course contains the following elements:

- The concepts of gender and equal opportunities for women and men, their background and how they are used today in research and development.
- The concept of design and its meaning; Basic design theory; Design as tool for normative intervention; How societal norms are reflected in design. Feminine and masculine aesthetics in commercial and popular culture.
- Design and aesthetics as an expression of the individual and his or her world. Notable design examples put in context – individual designers and their works.
- Exercises based on a reflective approach.

## Realization

Each course occasion's language and form is stated and appear on the course page on Luleå University of Technology's website.

Lectures and instructions are available via LTU's system for internet based courses. In the same space there are rooms for discussions and files for exercises.

## Examination

If there is a decision on special educational support, in accordance with the Guideline Student's rights and obligations at Luleå University of Technology, an adapted or alternative form of examination can be provided. Commented design exercises using technique of own choice: sketch, photo collages, simple pictures that are changed manually or by using widely used software as paint, or more advanced methods for the student who masters such techniques. Comments must demonstrate an ability to consider and advance the course content. The interaction between design expressions and comments will determine the grade.

## Unauthorized aids during exams and assessments

If a student, by using unauthorized aids, tries to mislead during an exam or when a study performance is to be assessed, disciplinary measures may be taken. The term "unauthorized aids" refers to aids that the teacher has not previously specified as permissible aids and that may assist in solving the examination task. This means that all aids not specified as permissible are prohibited. The Swedish version has interpretative precedence in the event of a conflict.

## Remarks

Students must register for the courses themselves, or contact ETKS educational administration [eduetks@ltu.se](mailto:eduetks@ltu.se), not later than three days after the quarter commences. Failure to do so can result in the place being lost. This rule also applies to students with a guaranteed place.

## Course offered by

Department of Social Sciences, Technology and Arts

## Modules

Code	Description	Grade scale	Cr	Status	From period	Title
0002	Introduction	U G#	0.5	Mandatory	A12	
0003	Compulsory assignment report	G U 3 4 5	3	Mandatory	A12	
0004	Compulsory assignment report	G U 3 4 5	4	Mandatory	A12	

## Study guidance

Study guidance for the course is to be found in our learning platform Canvas before the course starts. Students applying for single subject courses get more information in the Welcome letter. You will find the learning platform via My LTU.

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