

SYLLABUS

Actors and natural resources 7.5 credits N7014N

Aktörer och naturresurser

Course syllabus admitted: Autumn 2023 Sp 1 - Present

**DECISION DATE
2023-02-15**

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Second cycle, N7014N

Education level	Grade scale	Subject	Subject group (SCB)
Second cycle	U G VG	Naturresursförvaltning	Social Studies

Main field of study

Natural Resource Governance

Entry requirements

Academic degree, minimum 180 credits of which at least 90 credits in social-, technical- or natural science subjects. Good knowledge in English, equivalent to English 6.

Selection

The selection is based on 30-285 credits

Course Aim

After completing the course participants should be able to:

Knowledge and understanding:

- Describe key actors and explain their roles in natural resource governance
- Describe actors' interests, perspectives, attitudes, rights/legal standing, organisations and practices/actions, and explain how these factors shape interactions (collaboration and conflicts) and governance outcomes (resources use)
- Explain theories of human action of relevance for natural resource governance

Competence and skills:

- Apply methods to identify and analyse organized actors' and citizens' interests, perspectives/attitudes and practices/actions
- Analyse and evaluate different actors' (within state, market, civil society, indigenous groups) varying ways to organize, mobilize, steer and act in a natural resource governance/institutional context
- Work in groups to analyse and evaluate different aspects related to different actors' roles in natural resource governance
- Present, motivate and discuss written and orally actors' roles and interactions in natural resource governance/sustainable development dilemmas

Judgement and approach:

- Identify and critically reflect on actors' different understandings of sustainable development, claims of sustainability and synergies/trade-offs between actors' claims
- Characterize and show awareness of governance systems and discuss societal implications of different actors and the institutions embedding them

Contents

- Organized actors, citizens and rights-holders
- Actors in the governance system: market, state, civil society and Indigenous actors
- Actors' and citizens' interests, perceptions, attitudes
- Theories of human action including social movements and collective action
- Institutions and human action
- Actors' strategies and claims: synergies and tradeoffs

Realization

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

This course applies a problem- and case-based approach. The course is realized through lectures, literature studies, individual and group assignments.

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.

Individual written and oral assignment 4,5 ECTS, seminars, including group work and oral presentations 3 ECTS.

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@itu.se, no 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
0001	Written and oral assignments	U G VG	4.5	Mandatory	A23	
0002	Seminars and cases	U G#	3	Mandatory	A23	

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.

Syllabus established

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