#### **SYLLABUS**

# **Developmental Psychology** 7.5 credits P0034A

Utvecklingspsykologi

Course syllabus admitted: Autumn 2023 Sp 1 - Present

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First cycle, P0034A

**Education level** First cycle Grade scale U G VG \* **Subject** Psykologi Subject group (SCB) Psychology

#### Main field of study

Psychology

## **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 courses Mathematics 1a or 1b or 1c, Social Studies 1b or 1a1+1a2.

# Selection

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

## **Course Aim**

Knowledge and comprehension After passing the course, the student should be able to:

- Describe and explain human development with respect to physical, cognitive, social and personal development, from the prenatal period to aging and death.
- Describe and explain various theoretical perspectives on human development.

#### Skills and abilities

After passing the course, the student should be able to:

- analyze cases and scenarios by means of theories within the field of developmental psychology
- investigate human development through labs
- present scientific material within the field of developmental psychology in oral/written form

Appraisal and approach

After passing the course the student should be able to:

• Critically reflect on how knowledge within the field of developmental psychology can be applied in everyday situations.

### Contents

The course focuses on three related areas of development in the human life cycle:

- Physical development: What are the roles of nature and nurture? How do motor skills and the senses develop?
- Cognitive development: How do memory, language and thinking develop? What is intelligence?
- Social and personal development? Who am I? How do relationships with other people develop?

Within the three areas, the question of how and when development proceeds into decline will be addressed as well as the question of what is normal.



#### Realization

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

The teaching typically consists of lectures, seminars and laboratory work as well as self-studies. *The mandatory labs allow students to apply theories and methods within the field of cognitive psychology.* 

Some teaching materials are accessed and some communication between students and teachers is made possible in the internet-based course platform on Canvas.

Parts of the course may be in English.

#### **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. The course aims below will be specifically examined through the the laboratory work, 2,5 ECTS (and to a certain extent in the written exam).

- analyze cases and scenarios by means of theories within the field of developmental psychology
- investigate human development through labs.
- present scientific material within the field of developmental psychology in oral/written form.

The labs are graded as U or G.

All other course aims are examined through the written exam (5 ECTS, Grades: U, G, VG). All course modules should be passed in order to receive the final course 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 HLT educational administration eduhlt@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 Health, Education and Technology

# **Modules**

Code	Description	Grade scale	Cr	Status	From period	Title
0002	Written exam	U G VG *	5	Mandatory	S21	
0004	Laboratory work	U G#	2.5	Mandatory	A21	



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# **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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