

SYLLABUS

Degree project in Psychology, Bachelor 15 credits P0064A

Examensarbete i psykologi, kandidat

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2022-06-16**

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First cycle, P0064A

Education level	Grade scale	Subject	Subject group (SCB)
First cycle	U G VG *	Psykologi	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 and for admission to this course the student must also have attained 90 credits for the courses which may be included in the Bachelor Programme in Psychology, of which 75 credits must be from the compulsory courses in year 1 and 2 (according to the programme syllabus at LTU). The following courses must be included in this and be completed entirely with at least a pass grade: P0072A - Qualitative methods in social sciences 1 (7.5 credits) and P0073A - Quantitative methods in social sciences 1 (7.5 credits). The following course must have module completed with at least a pass grade: P0071A, module 0003 - Written examination: Introduction to scientific theory and method (4 credits) or equivalent courses.

Selection

The selection is based on 1-165 credits.

Course Aim

The aim of the course is for the student to practice, develop and show their ability to, in an adequate way, apply theory and method in order to solve problems relevant to activities in psychology. Upon completion of the course the student shall be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

After completing the course, the student should be able to show knowledge and understanding :

- Of how to formulate a relevant problem in the subject area psychology
- Of how to search for relevant scientific studies in databases and make use of its relevance for own study.

Skills and abilities

After completing the course, the student should be able to show the ability to:

- Treat different theories within the subject at an acceptable level
- Be able to make a motivated and relevant choice of theoretical basis for one's own work
- Develop and formulate a relevant research problem from a selected subject in the area of psychology.
- Be able to choose and motivate the method for the study with an understanding of the impact of the choice on the study results
- With connection to the chosen theory and method be able to collect information relevant to the problem formulation
- In a relevant way be able to report the collected information in writing.
- Based on the chosen theory and method in a scientifically correct way be able to analyze and answer a formulated problem
- Be able to assess the scientific and practical relevance of the results obtained.
- Be able to express oneself well in writing in a linguistically and scientifically correct way.
- Be able to orally communicate results both experts and to non-experts.
- Be able to defend and discuss their results from different perspectives
- Be able to critically examine other studies in a constructive and scientific way.

Evaluation ability and approach:

After completing the course, the student should be able to show the ability to

- Make assessments of collected information with regard to psychological principles, theories, methods and analyzes.
- Demonstrate the ability to maintain a critical approach to the scientific literature
- Demonstrate insight into the scientific way of working.

Contents

The degree project is an essay written by one or two students. The essay shall utilize a scientific approach on a problem in the area of psychology and the essay shall be presented both as a written report and in oral format. The scientific research questions to be investigated are determined in consultation with the supervisor and thereafter the student must independently search for relevant literature for the scientific issues to be studied and write the essay in accordance with the subject's established essay template. Each student shall also evaluate and perform opposition on degree project written by other students. The essay can be written both in Swedish and in English.

Realization

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

The department appoints supervisor for each essay project. The supervisor and student come to an agreement with respect to a time schedule and the content of the supervision. Material the student wants feedback on should be the supervisor at hand no later than 5 days before a scheduled meeting. Supervision/feedback can be given in terms of a face-to-face or digital meeting or through the use of e-mail or phone and the mode should be stated in the agreement between supervisor and student. Supervision is provided within a period of one semester after first course registration. During the project course skills such as critical thinking, ability to formulate problems, laboratory work, independence, understanding the scientific way of working and oral and written communication are trained.

Parts of the content of the course can be held 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 degree project should be discussed at a mandatory seminar at the end of every semester. At the seminar the student acts both as a respondent with respect to own thesis and as an opponent on another, by the examiner assigned, student's thesis. The supervisor report to the examiner that the thesis is ready to be presented as well as approve to that the thesis is ready to be handed to the examiner for examination. To pass the course the student shall present and defend own thesis and act as an opponent on another student's thesis. As well as participate in compulsory meetings and seminars as decided by the supervisor. The essay work is examined on the basis of the grade scale U, G and VG and the presentation of one's own essay work and opposition to another's essay is assessed on the basis of the grade scale U or G. To pass the course the student shall participate in compulsory meetings and seminars as well as register the thesis according to LTUs rules.

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 eduht@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.

Study guidance is available in the learning platform Canvas before the start of the course. You who are a new student will find all the information you need at www.ltu.se/ny-student. You who are already studying at Luleå University of Technology will find information about course start in the schedule on the student web or through the course room in the learning platform which you can reach at "Mitt LTU".

In order to be awarded the Degree of Bachelor in Psychology from Luleå University of Technology, students must successfully meet all the requirements in the current programme syllabus.

<https://www.ltu.se/edu/program/FKPSG/FKPSG-Psykologi-kandidat-1.76719?l=en>

Overlap

The course P0064A is equal to P0029A, ARP324

Course offered by

Department of Health, Education and Technology

Modules

Code	Description	Grade scale	Cr	Status	From period	Title
0001	Start of degree project	U G#	0	Mandatory	S14	
0002	Public discussion of others degree project	U G#	0	Mandatory	S14	
0003	Oral presentation	U G#	0	Mandatory	S14	
0004	Accepted report	U G VG *	15	Mandatory	S14	Yes

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