

SYLLABUS

Qualitative methods in social sciences 1 7.5 credits P0072A

Samhällsvetenskaplig kvalitativ metod 1

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2021-02-15**

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First cycle, P0072A

Education level	Grade scale	Subject	Subject group (SCB)
First cycle	U G VG	Psykologi	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 2a or 2b or 2c, 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:

- Show basic knowledge in translating psychological theory and research into methodological strategies in relation to scientific problems
- Show basic knowledge of the research process and research design
- Show basic knowledge of concepts and methods in qualitative research
- Show basic knowledge in qualitative report writing

Skills and abilities

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

- On a basic level plan and carry out a qualitative study within given time frames
- Carry out basic analyzes in qualitative methods
- On a basic level present a qualitative study in writing and critically discuss its results

Appraisal and approach

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

- At a basic level, interpret and critically examine results from qualitative analyzes with a focus on social science research
- Show knowledge of and reflect on research ethics aspects

Contents

This course focuses on basic qualitative social science method and its application in psychological research.

The following areas will be covered:

- The research process
- Qualitative data collection methods
- Qualitative data analysis methods
- Qualitative report writing
- Research ethics

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 within this course typically consists of lectures, exercises, supervision and self-study. In addition, an individual assignment is included in which the students are trained to independently analyze and in writing and orally present their own collected psychological data.

In order to achieve the course's goals regarding *knowledge and understanding*, the student should independently study the specified course literature and other literature/material provided during the course, as well as take part in lectures/lessons and recommended exercises.

In order to achieve the course's goals regarding *skills and ability*, the student must actively participate in the different steps of the individual assignment, as well as in written and oral presentation. Through the assignment the ability to plan and carry out a qualitative study and analyze and evaluate the result, as well as discuss and present the collected information in writing and orally is trained.

In order to achieve the course's goals regarding *appraisal and approach*, the student should actively participate in the assignment and study the specified course literature. Through the assignment, the ability to reflect on research ethics aspects is trained.

Teaching resources are provided and some communication and submissions are handled via the internet-based course platform Canvas. This means specific requirements for technical equipment and competence.

Some parts of the course may be given 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 learning objectives are examined through various forms of examination. An individual written assignment in which a written memorandum and oral presentation is included (2.5 credits, grade scale: U G). As well as an individual written exam (5.0 credits, grade scale: U G VG). All included examination parts must be completed for the final grade on the course.

Knowledge and understanding are mainly examined through the individual written exam. *Skills and ability* as well as *appraisal and approach* are mainly examined through the individual assignment including oral presentation.

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

The course replaces the qualitative part of the course P0045A. Due to overlap, the course cannot be included in the degree together with P0045A or a course with similar content.

Students must register for the courses themselves, or contact HLT:s 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.

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/nystudent.

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".

Overlap

The course P0072A is equal to P0045A

Corresponds to the qualitative part of the previous course Social Science Method 1, P0045A.

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	
0003	Assignment and oral presentation	U G#	2.5	Mandatory	A21	

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