

**SYLLABUS**

# **Risk, trust and foresight - theoretical perspectives on social change 7.5 credits S7018A**

**Risk, tillit och förutsebarhet - teoretiska perspektiv på  
samhällsförändring**

**Course syllabus admitted: Autumn 2017 Sp 1 - Present**

**DECISION DATE  
2017-02-15**

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### Second cycle, S7018A

| Education level | Grade scale | Subject   | Subject group (SCB) |
|-----------------|-------------|-----------|---------------------|
| Second cycle    | U G VG      | Sociologi | Sociology           |

## Entry requirements

Bachelors degree in social sciences.

## Selection

The selection is based on 30-285 credits

## Examiner

Mats Jakobsson

## Course Aim

At the end of the course the student should have knowledge about

- Knowledge about different established perspectives about social and cultural change, nationally and internationally.
- Identify connections between social, cultural and economical changes at macro level and consequences at individual level.
- Be able to do different analysis where theoretical concepts are used at different societal levels, for instance local municipalities social, cultural economical conditions in a global context.
- Be able to understand and analyse different events in relation to global communication in a changing risk society.

## Contents

The course treats theories about how social change such as globalization have consequences for human beings in social, cultural and economic concern in a regional and local context. Special focus on peoples experience of risk (for example environment, labor market, economy, relations, culture) and trust on different social institutions (for example authorities, enterprises, interest organisations) and how this can affect the self and the understanding of the world around.

## Realization

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

The literature will be discussed with in lecturers and seminars. A seminar is part of the examination where the student presents an eligible theoretical theme. Beyond that examination is done in a written paper where theoretical perspectives are applied on concrete and occurring problem.

## 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.

Seminar 2,5 hp

Assignment report 5,0 hp

## 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.

## Literature. Valid from Spring 2012 Sp 3

Beck, Ulrich (2000). Risksamhället: på väg mot en annan modernitet. Göteborg; Daidalos.

Castells, Manuel (2000). Informationsåldern: ekonomi, samhälle och kultur. Bd 2, Identitetens makt. Göteborg: Daidalos.

Giddens, Anthony (2010). En skenande värld: hur globaliseringen är på väg att förändra våra liv. 2. uppl.

Stockholm: SNS förlag.

## Course offered by

Department of Business Administration, Technology and Social Sciences

## Items/credits

| Number | Type              | Credits | Grade  |
|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|
| 0001   | Seminars          | 2.5     | U G#   |
| 0002   | Assignment report | 5       | U G VG |

## 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.

## Last revised

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## Syllabus established

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