Master's Thesis in Science for Sustainable Development

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30 credits

Programme course

746A55

Valid from: 2010 Autumn semester

Determined by	**Main field of study**	
The Quality Board at the Faculty of Arts and Sciences	Environmental Science	
Date determined	**Course level**	**Progressive specialisation**
2009-03-20	Second cycle	A2E
Revised by	**Disciplinary domain**	
	Natural sciences	
Revision date	**Subject group**	
2017-05-03	Environmental Science	
Offered first time	**Offered for the last time**	
Spring semester 2009	Spring semester 2024	
Department	**Replaced by**	
Institutionen för Tema	746A96	

Specific information

The course is disused. Offered for the last time Spring semester 2024. Replaced by 746A96.

Examination is offered on a total of at least five occasions for each examination component.

These occasions should be distributed across at least two semesters following the final ordinary course instance. These can be found in the course's last course room in Lisam.

Contact the department to access the course room.

Course offered for

- Master´s Programme in Science for Sustainable Development

Entry requirements

- Bachelor's degree equivalent to a Swedish Kandidatexamen in one of the following areas:
  - natural sciences,
  - social sciences,
  - humanities or
  - engineering
- 15 ECTS credits passed in Environmental Sciences, Sustainable Development or equivalent
- English corresponding to the level of English in Swedish upper secondary education (Engelska 6)
  Exemption from Swedish
- 75 ECTS credits from the programme including the course Designing environmental studies, 7,5 ECTS credits

Intended learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the student should be able to:
- write a scientific report in English on an approved topic in Sustainable Development, reporting and analysing the findings of original research, and demonstrating deep knowledge and mastery of the topic;
- defend and discuss the scientific report,
- formulate a research problem, a hypothesis and specific research questions;
- review relevant literature;
- design a research method to examine the specified problem;
- conduct original research.

Course content

The course covers the following areas:
- formulation of a research problem, a hypothesis and specific research questions;
- literature review;
- research design;
- conduct of research;
- preparation and presentation of research findings;
- defence and opposition at a seminar.

Teaching and working methods

The main form of teaching is supervision of the thesis work, complemented with work-in-progress seminars conducted to provide the student with review by staff and fellow students.
Before the acutal thesis work starts, the student is provided with a guide regarding the formal requirements for the thesis. After an initial work plan has been agreed upon, a time schedule for the work is determined. This will include information about period(s) for field work, presentation of drafts and date for the submission of the thesis.
Language of tuition: English.

Examination

Examination is based on the written thesis, presentation and defence of the thesis, opposition on another student's thesis, and active participation in compulsory seminars.

Grades

ECTS, EC

Other information

Planning and implementation of a course must take its starting point in the wording of the syllabus. The course evaluation included in each course must therefore take up the question how well the course agrees with the syllabus.

The course is conducted in such a way that there are equal opportunities with regard to sex, transgender identity or expression, ethnicity, religion or other belief, disability, sexual orientation and age.

If special circumstances prevail, the vice-chancellor may in a special decision specify the preconditions for temporary deviations from this course syllabus, and delegate the right to take such decisions.