

Master's Programme in Ethnic and Migration Studies

120 credits

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Introduction

This master's programme in Ethnic and Migration Studies is a two-year, full-time programme. The programme educates students in theories and methodologies in Ethnic and Migration Studies, with special reference to globalization, processes of identity formation related to class, gender, citizenship, social and cultural change, and relations of power and resistance. The programme is embedded in a trans- and multidisciplinary educational environment, characterized by an integration of the humanities and social sciences, with historical and sociological, economic and cultural perspectives on ethnicity and migration. More specifically, the programme offers:

1. a critical approach to issues of ethnicity, race, social differences, migration, citizenship and borders;
2. practical skills and expertise in social and cultural analysis and policy development, preparing for a variety of professions in working life;
3. a critical scientific approach where politics, economy and labour are foregrounded in the study of ethnicity and migration;
4. an understanding situating ethnicity and migration in its global context, ;
5. a trans- and multi-disciplinary understanding of science and scholarship, fully integrating the social sciences and the humanities, historical as well as sociological, economic as well as cultural perspectives on ethnicity and migration.

The programme qualifies the students to integrate perspectives concerning migration and ethnicity in analysis and innovative intervention in both academic knowledge production and governmental or non-governmental organisations at national and international level. The programme thus prepares students for further postgraduate studies, teaching and research in the interdisciplinary field of Ethnic and Migration Studies, as well as for positions in administration, communication, business, government, public life, media and the cultural sector that demand expertise in ethnicity and migration. The programme also enables the students to actively contribute with their acquired knowledge and skills to the analysis and debate on ethnicity and migration in a wide range of areas such from culture, media and the arts to politics, business and administration

Aim

Knowledge and understanding

For a Master of Arts (120 credits) the student shall

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding in Ethnic and Migration Studies, including both broad knowledge of the field and a considerable degree of specialised knowledge in certain areas of the field as well as insight into current research and development work, and
- demonstrate specialised methodological knowledge in Ethnic and Migration Studies, with special reference to critical traditions of the social sciences and the humanities.

Competence and skills

For a Master of Arts (120 credits) the student shall

- demonstrate the ability to critically and systematically integrate knowledge and analyse, assess and deal with complex phenomena, issues and situations even with limited information
- demonstrate the ability to identify and formulate issues critically, autonomously and creatively as well as to plan and, using appropriate methods, undertake advanced tasks within predetermined time frames and so contribute to the formation of knowledge as well as the ability to evaluate this work
- demonstrate the ability in speech and writing both nationally and internationally to report clearly and discuss his or her conclusions and the knowledge and arguments on which they are based in dialogue with different audiences, and
- demonstrate the skills required for participation in research and development work or autonomous employment in some other qualified capacity.

Judgement and approach

For a Master of Arts (120 credits) the student shall

- demonstrate the ability to make assessments in Ethnic and Migration Studies informed by relevant disciplinary, social and ethical issues and also to demonstrate awareness of ethical aspects of research and development work
- demonstrate insight into the possibilities and limitations of research, its role in society and the responsibility of the individual for how it is used, and
- demonstrate the ability to identify the personal need for further knowledge and take responsibility for his or her ongoing learning.

Content

The master's programme in Ethnic and Migration Studies is an integrated programme of two years' full-time study with opportunities for individual specialization. In the first two semesters students follow eight mandatory courses of theoretical, thematic as well as methodological profiles. In the third semester, the program allows students an individual specialization through studies abroad, teaching practice and elective courses. The fourth semester is mainly devoted to the composition of the master's thesis. In addition to their course work, students can follow a schedule of thematic seminars and tutorial meetings with the faculty.

Teaching and working methods

Teaching in the programme generally involves formats with a high level of student participation. This implies that students and teachers have a shared responsibility for the courses and the programme. Within the frame of the courses, the students are provided with the opportunity to specializing and concentrating the chosen line of studies. The development of the student's knowledge and competences is organized in dialogue between the students as well as between students and teachers. Teaching forms include lectures, workshops, seminars and individual/group tutorials.

Examination

Each course is examined individually or in a group. The forms of examination include mandatory essays, written examinations, active participation in mandatory seminars as well as mandatory course assignments. The forms of examination for each course are specified in the course description. The master's thesis is presented and defended at a public seminar with an opponent/discussant after which it is assessed and graded by an examination committee.

Grades

Grades as stipulated in the course syllabi.

Entry requirements

A bachelor's degree in the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, behavioural sciences, health sciences or natural sciences or equivalent qualifications is required.

Each applicant must enclose a Letter of Intent written in English, explaining why they want to study this programme, and a summary of their bachelor's essay or project. If applicants hold a degree that does not include a bachelor's essay or project, their Letter of Intent should describe previous studies and any academic activities that are related to the master's programme or the programmes applied for.

English B/English 6 or equivalent.

Threshold requirements

In order to be admitted to the second year of the programme – the third semester – the student must have successfully passed at least 37,5 credits of the first year's courses.

Degree requirements

The student will be awarded a the degree of Master of Arts (120 credits) with a major in Ethnic and Migration Studies provided all course requirements are completed and that the student fulfils the general and specific eligibility requirements including proof of holding a Bachelor's (kandidat) or a corresponding degree.

Completed courses and other requirements will be listed in the degree certificate. A degree certificate is issued by the Faculty Board on request. A Diploma Supplement will be attached to the degree certificate.

Degree in Swedish

Filosofie masterexamen med huvudområde Etnicitet och migration

Degree in English

Master of Arts (120 credits) with a major in Ethnic and Migration Studies

Specific information

Merits

The specific requirements will be assessed as not fulfilled if the average grade is in the lower third of the grading scale used in the country where the degree was awarded, that is grades have to be average/pass or above (the equivalent to the Swedish grade "Godkänd").

Language of instruction

Language of instruction is English.

Transfer of Credits

The Board of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences or a person nominated by the board decide whether or not previous education can be transferred into the programme.

Enrolment Procedure

Students are admitted to the programme in its entirety. Selection is based on academic merit.

Curriculum

Semester 1 (Autumn 2017)

Course code	Course name	Credits	Level	Weeks	ECV
742A20	Historical perspectives on ethnicity and migration	7.5	A1X	v201734-201738	C
742A21	Intersectional Migration Studies: Bodies, Genders, Sexualities	7.5	A1X	v201739-201743	C
742A22	The World System in the Post-colonial Era	7.5	A1X	v201744-201748	C
742A23	Class, Labour Migration and Globalization	7.5	A1X	v201749-201803	C

Semester 2 (Spring 2018)

Course code	Course name	Credits	Level	Weeks	ECV
742A24	Critical Methodologies in Ethnic and Migration Studies	7.5	A1X	v201804-201808	C
742A25	Race, Ethnicity and Migration in Culture and the Arts	7.5	A1X	v201809-201813	C
742A26	Migration and Asylum Policy in the European Union	7.5	A1X	v201814-201818	C
742A27	Critical Cases in ethnic and migration studies	7.5	A1X	v201819-201823	C

Semester 3 (Autumn 2018)

Course code	Course name	Credits	Level	Weeks	ECV
742A28	Migration, Health and Biopolitics	7.5	A1X	v201834-201838	C
742A29	Inclusion, Citizenship and Exclusion	7.5	A1X	v201839-201843	C
742A30	Borders and Identities	7.5	A1X	v201844-201848	E
742A31	Contemporary Issues in Ethnic and Migration Studies	7.5	A1X	v201844-201903	E
742A32	Advanced methodology and methods in Ethnic and Migration Studies	7.5	A1X	v201844-201903	E
742A33	Special Readings in Ethnic and Migration Studies	7.5	A1X	v201844-201903	E
742A34	Internship	7.5	A1X	v201844-201903	E
742A35	Internship	15	A1X	v201844-201903	E

Semester 4 (Spring 2019)

Course code	Course name	Credits	Level	Weeks	ECV
742A36	Master's Thesis in Ethnic and Migration Studies	30	A2X	v201904-201923	C

ECV = Elective / Compulsory / Voluntary

*Kursen läses över flera terminer