

## Course Syllabus

### **African Studies: Rethinking African Studies 7 Credits\*, Second Cycle Level 2**

#### **Learning Outcomes**

The overall aim of the course is to prepare the student for the writing of a master degree thesis in African Studies. Upon completion of the course, the student shall be able to:

- examine, with a high degree of independence, current epistemological and methodological assumptions of African Studies
- identify contemporary academic tendencies within the field
- critically examine relations within the global context of certain African states and regions.

#### **Course Content**

The course deals with the debate about the function that academic studies and research about Africa have in the meeting with post-colonial African societies and contemporary global challenges. An example of questions to be discussed is: In what way can African Studies be regarded in relation to the disciplinary origins of the field?

#### **Assessment**

The course is examined by written papers and oral presentations.

#### **Forms of Study**

The course normally consists of seminars. Depending on the number of students enrolled, the course may be taught as an independent study course. All teaching is conducted in English.

#### **Grades**

The Swedish grades A–F.

#### **Prerequisites**

Bachelor degree 180 credits and the courses African Studies: Dynamics of African Societies 12 credits, African Studies: Religion and Politics in African Societies 9 credits, African Studies: Education and Change in African Societies 8 credits, African Studies: Developing the Research Proposal 1 credit, and African Studies: Elaborate Research Plan 1 credit

**Subject:**

African Studies

**Group of Subjects:**

Other Interdisciplinary Studies

**Disciplinary Domain:**

Humanities, 100%

**This course can be included in the following main field(s) of study:**

1. African Studies

**Progression Indicator within (each) main field of study:**

1. A1F

**Approved:**

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