



Kursplan för:

Etik inom samhällsvetenskaperna, 7,5 hp

Ethics in social science 7,5 Credits

Allmänna data om kursen

Kurskod	SOA011F
Forskarutbildningsämne	Sociologi alt. Övrigt ämne
Nivå	Forskarnivå
Högskolepoäng	7.5
Ansvarig avdelning	Avdelningen för samhällsvetenskap
Ansvarig fakultet	Fakulteten för humanvetenskap
Inrättad	
Fastställd	2015-09-11
Senast reviderad	
Giltig fr.o.m	2015-06-10

Syfte

The aim of the course is to provide an orientation on contemporary research ethics; principles, perspectives, theory, and applications of ethical issues on research applicable to social science.

Lärandemål

After completing the course the student is expected to:

- Through writings and seminars show knowledge in the major areas of ethics in research; issues, principles and rules with a particular emphasis on human research
- Give evidence of knowledge about how to apply ethical standards in different research projects.
- Through writings and seminars show knowledge of ethics in the researchers role in research planning and methodology
- Demonstrate ability to apply the conventions, agreements, principles laws and regulations regarding research ethics to contemporary research problems
- To be able to pinpoint ethical dilemmas in own and other research, and to suggest solutions in such situations

Innehåll

Fundamentals in moral philosophy will be covered as well as the emergence of research ethics as based on ethics in social sciences. Reviews of the ethical principles governing research on humans, mainly in the social sciences, health sciences and the humanities, and the corresponding inventory of laws and government guidance relevant to research, will be included. Special attention is given to problems relating to sensitive personal data, data protection, and research on vulnerable groups, storage, archiving and honesty in research. Recent cases of suspected scientific dishonesty are discussed. Graduate students are assumed, in addition to the common literature, to immerse themselves in research ethics problems in various applied areas.

The course will give the opportunity to discuss advantages and problems on ethical principles for research, from both a national and an international perspective, as well as Swedish laws and regulations in the area. Ethical dilemmas in different kinds of empirical research are discussed and evaluated.

Behörighet

För tillträde till kursen krävs att den studerande är antagen till utbildning på forskarnivå, samt kan tillgodoräkna sig kursen i sin forskarutbildning.

Undervisning

Teaching is in the form of lectures and seminars, discussions, and independent literature studies on ethical problems related to the student's dissertation project, evaluating the body of knowledge in research methods and ethics regarding the subject of study. Approaches to problems which the participants have elected to reflect on will be discussed during the seminars.

Examination

Examination in the form of a written presentation covering the body of knowledge in ethics regarding a specific subject of study. Presenting a discussion on an ethical problem and suggest possible solutions at a seminar. Design an admit to the ethical reviewboard on the subject. Attendance is compulsory.

Betygsskala

Underkänd (U) eller Godkänd (G)

Litteratur

Obligatorisk litteratur

Författare: Brajuha, M., & Hallowell, L.
Artikeltitel: Legal intrusion and the politics of fieldwork: The impact of the Brajuha case.
Tidskrift Urban Life
År/Volym/nr/sidor: 1986/ 14/ 454–478.
Kommentar: Available for free on the internet

Författare/red: Denzin, Norman K. & Lincoln, Yvonna S.
Titel: The landscape of qualitative research
Upplaga: 2013
Förlag: Sage publications

Författare: Fitzgerald, Mary
Artikeltitel: The EU gets tough on ethics
År/Volym/nr/sidor: 2007
Webbadress: http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/fp7/89928/technology-ireland_en.pdf

Författare/red: Miller, Tina, Mauthner, Melaine, Birch, Maxine, & Jessop, Julie
Titel: Ethics in qualitative research
Upplaga: 2012
Förlag: Sage Publications, London

Författare/red: Oliver, Paul
Titel: The student's guide to research ethic
Upplaga: Latest edition
Förlag: Berkshire, CA: Open University Press

Författare/red: The European Commission
Titel: European Textbook on Ethics in Research
Webbadress: http://ec.europa.eu/research/science-society/document_library/pdf_06/textbook-on-ethics-report_en.pdf

Författare/red: Vetenskapsrådet/The Swedish Research Council
Titel: Good research practice
Upplaga: Vetenskapsrådets rapportserie 3:2011
Förlag: Stockholm, Vetenskapsrådet
Webbadress: http://www.vr.se/download/18.3a36c20d133af0c1295800030/1321519981391/Good+Research+Practice+3.2011_webb.pdf

There will also be individual literature on research ethics in a relevant or limited area, upon arrangement with the course coordinator.

The scientific theory is based completely on articles in social scientific journals.

Övrig information

Kursen ges under hösten 2015 som en fakultetsgemensam kurs för forskarstuderande inom fakulteten för humanvetenskap.