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Welcome!

Welcome to Worldviews and Discourses (1MV553) at the Centre for Environment and Development Studies (CEMUS). Below is some practical information about the course; please read through it and contact us if you have any questions.

We look forward to seeing you next semester,

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Course Coordinators

Registration Information

If you have applied through antagningen.se or universityadmissions.se, you need to register for the course on Studentportalen (www.studentportalen.uu.se). Registration opens approximately a month before the course begins and you should register before the course starts. Information about registration is available through this [link](#). Please contact jenny.thor@geo.uu.se if you have any questions about how to register.

Course Learning Outcomes

As stated in the [syllabus](#), upon completion of the course the student should be able to:

- critically analyse different views on sustainable development and different ideologies within the field of environment, development and sustainability;
- critically analyse controversies, similarities and differences within the sustainability debate based upon the different assumptions and perspectives on the relationship between man, nature, development, technology and economics;
- use discourse analysis as a tool to understand the debate and practical applications of the concept of Sustainable development;



Course Overview

The course is equivalent to 5 credits and runs every Friday during the 1st period of the Spring term. There is a **DRAFT** schedule, subject to change, for the course attached. A final schedule will be provided on Studium one week before the start of the course. You can also find this schedule on Studentportalen and the course [website](#).

The teaching consists of lectures, seminars and workshops. The lectures are given by guest lecturers from various academic disciplines and relevant areas of society. Ample opportunities are provided for active student participation and critical reflection. Participation in seminars and workshops is compulsory. Non-compulsory study visits or equivalent may occur.

Course Examination

As stated in the syllabus:

The student is examined through written preparation for (1 credit) and active participation in seminars and workshops (1 credit), and through written documentation (2.5 credits) and oral presentation (0.5 credits) of a project.

If there are special reasons for doing so, an examiner may make an exception from the method of assessment indicated and allow a student to be assessed by another method. An example of special reasons might be a certificate regarding special pedagogical support from the University's disability coordinator.

The course is examined through the following mandatory assignments:

- Literature Seminar and preparation conducted on **Friday, February 5, 2021**
- Discourse Analysis Seminar and preparation conducted on **Friday, February 26, 2021**
- Student Presentations on **Friday, March 19, 2021**
- Written Documentation of Individual Project due **Friday, March 19, 2021, 23:59**



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Course Literature

The course has the following course books, which are required reading:

Flowerdew, J. & Richardson, J.E. 2018; 2017, The Routledge handbook of critical discourse studies, 1st edn, Routledge, London; New York.

Mulderrig, J., Montesano Montessori, N., Farrelly, M., 2020. Critical Policy Discourse Analysis. 1st edn, Edward Elgar, Cheltenham; Northampton.

These books are not to be read in their entirety; rather they present a range of case studies and methodologies that will be used to demonstrate how worldviews and discourses can be understood.

The course coordinators will make available a course compendium one week before the course start date. This compendium will include **3-4 required articles per week** related to the course learning outcomes. This includes 1-2 articles as preparatory material for lectures, workshops, or seminars. Additional **recommended/suggested/supplementary** articles from guest lecturers and coordinators will be uploaded to Studium during the course. Make sure to come prepared for all lectures, workshops, and seminars.

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