

Introductory Course in Research Ethics (4.5 credit points), Spring 2020

This is an introductory course in research ethics within the social sciences and humanities and it is open to doctoral students, supervisors and researchers at Linköping University. The course covers research ethical problems and concepts, such as autonomy and informed consent, scientific fraud and misconduct and the researcher's responsibility for the consequences of her research. Research ethical declarations and Swedish legislation on research ethics are introduced. Field-specific research problems are discussed as well as research ethical problems experienced by the course participants. After completing the course, the student should be able to identify and describe common research ethical problems, suggest solutions to the problems and justify the solutions by means of basic ethical principles. The student should also have proficiency in filling in an application for ethical trial of research. The course consists of 11 mandatory lectures/seminars and will be taught in English.

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	Time	Content	Teacher	Room
6/4	13-15	Lecture/seminar: Introduction to ethics and research	LF	4260, Hus Key
8/4	10-12	Lecture/seminar: Ethical problems in the humanities and social sciences	SFK	4257, Hus Key
14/4	10-12	Lecture/seminar: Informed consent	LF	4410, Hus Key
16/4	10-12	Lecture/seminar: Dignity	LF	4257, Hus Key
21/4	10-12	Lecture/seminar: Confidentiality	LF	4410, Hus Key
28/4	10-12	Lecture/seminar: Ethical codes	LF	4257, Hus Key
5/5	10-12	Lecture/seminar: Publication ethics	LF	4410, Hus Key
7/5	10-12	Lecture/seminar: Sweden: Legislation, ethical vetting organisation, application form	EP	4257, Hus Key
7/5	13-15	Lecture/seminar: Scientific misconduct	LF	3401, Hus Key
8/5	10-12	Lecture/seminar: GDPR	EPE	2233, hus Key
12/5	9-17	Final seminar: Discussion of papers	LF	3410, Hus Key

Examination: Active participation and a short, individual paper to be discussed in a seminar. In the paper, the course participant analyses a research ethical problem related to her own research project/field of research.

Attendance: Lectures/seminars are mandatory. One but only one lecture/seminar can be missed and compensated for by means of a make-up assignment. The final seminars cannot be missed and compensated for by means of a make-up assignment since these require presentations and commentaries of individual papers.

Course literature: Gustafsson, B., Hermerén, G. & Petersson, B. "Good Research Practice – What is it?" This document can be downloaded from: http://www.vr.se/download/18.3a36c20d133af0c1295800030/1340207445948/Good+Research+Practice+3.2011_webb.pdf

Registration: Registration is made via e-mail to Monica Wise: monica.wise@liu.se where name, personal number and affiliation of the course participant is stated. Deadline for course registration is March 18th, 2020.