



Syllabus

UU0056.1 Master thesis (contract education), 30.0 credits

Master thesis (uppdragsutbildning)

Version 1 in Slukurs. Corresponds to version 1 in Ladok

Syllabus approved

30 October 2008

The version applies to students admitted from spring 2008 to autumn 2011

The version is not a module version

Subjects

Environmental science

Education cycle

Second cycle

Modules

Title	Code	Credits
Single module	0101	30.0

Advanced study in the main field

Grading scale

5:Pass with Distinction, 4:Pass with Credit, 3:Pass, U:Fail

The requirements for attaining different grades are described in the course assessment criteria which are contained in a supplement to the course syllabus. Current information on assessment criteria shall be made available at the start of the course.

Language

English

Prior knowledge

The equivalent of 180 University Credits in one of the subjects biology, agriculture, forestry, nature conservation or equivalent, and 60 University Credits from the Master programme in management of biological diversity (year 1).

Objectives

Upon completion of the thesis, the student should:

- have applied previously acquired knowledge in an independent and scientific analysis of a defined aspect of management of biological diversity, at an advanced level,
- have a subject-related specialization within the field of study,
- have an in-depth scientific understanding of the theoretical and methodological basis for a scientific study,
- have acquired and applied a scientific research design, which includes the ability to formulate a research question, to design a comprehensive study, collect relevant data and to analyse and discuss the results, within a specified time frame,
- have an in-depth ability to communicate scientific results and popular science, i.e. being able to write in well-structured, analytical and comprehensible form, and to orally present the results.

Content

Through the independent thesis work, the student will increase his/her ability to formulate, delimit and investigate a defined aspect of management of biological diversity. In addition, the student will be given training in data analysis and in communicating scientific results both orally and in writing.

Implementation

Scheduled activities

Supervision and presentation of project work

approx. 80 Hours

Compulsory

Seminars

approx. 40 Hours

Examination and evaluation

approx. 10 Hours

Compulsory

Supervised training

approx. 60 Hours

Project work (planning and presentation)

approx. 100 Hours

Individual studies, not scheduled

Literature studies

approx. 100 Hours

Compilation and analyses of data and report writing

approx. 420 Hours

Compulsory

Total

approx. 810 Hours

Formats and requirements for examination

Individual written thesis and presentation of the thesis at a public defence at the end of year two.

Write a scientific report which should be electronically published in EPSILON.

The examiner approves the thesis when it fulfils the scientific and reporting requirements.

- If the student fails a test, the examiner may give the student a supplementary assignment, provided this is possible and there is reason to do so.
- If the student has been granted special educational support because of a disability, the examiner has the right to offer the student an adapted test, or provide an alternative assessment.
- If changes are made to this course syllabus, or if the course is closed, SLU shall decide on transitional rules for examination of students admitted under this syllabus but who have not yet passed the course.
- For the examination of a degree project (independent project), the examiner may also allow the student to add supplemental information after the deadline.

For more information on this, please refer to the regulations for education at Bachelor's and Master's level.

Additional information

- The right to take part in teaching and/or supervision only applies to the course date to which the student has been admitted and registered on.
- If there are special reasons, the student may take part in course components that require compulsory attendance at a later date. For more information on this, please refer to the regulations for education at Bachelor's and Master's level.

Responsible department

Swedish Biodiversity Centre

Supplementary Information

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Replacement course: UU0021