



COURSE SYLLABUS

Systematic Searches and Scholarly Publishing, 3 credits

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Course Code: FHSSS34	Education Cycle: Third-cycle level
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Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

On completion of the course, the student should be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- demonstrate understanding for a structured and systematic approach to the literature searching process
- demonstrate understanding for the landscape of scholarly publishing

Skills and abilities

- demonstrate ability to define an information need and to formulate an adequate search strategy for a chosen research question
- demonstrate skills to effectively search publications in chosen databases from a self-formulated search strategy

Judgement and approach

- demonstrate ability to make a relevant selection among retrieved publications based on established criteria
- demonstrate ability to select one or several journals for their own publication and motivate the choice on the basis of the selection criteria treated in the course and be able to evaluate them by using appropriate indicators
- demonstrate skills to formulate an appropriate publication strategy.

Contents

- Literature review types
- The literature searching process
 - Library databases
- Development of scholarly communication
- Peer review
- Bibliometric indicators
- Publication strategy

Type of instruction

The teaching consists of lectures, workshops and exercises.

The teaching is conducted in English.

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Prerequisites

The applicant must be admitted to the third-cycle programme at The School of Health and Welfare.

Examination and grades

The course is graded Fail (U) or Pass (G).

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The examination is based on written assignments and active participation during assignment seminars.

Registration of examination:

Name of the Test	Value	Grading
Individual written assignment and seminars	3 credits	U/G

Course literature

Booth, A., Sutton, A., Clowes, M., & Martyn-St James, M. (2022). Systematic approaches to a successful literature review (Third ed.). SAGE.

See Course outline for additional literature (articles).

The most recent edition of the course literature should be used.