



## COURSE SYLLABUS

# International Communication Master Degree Project, 15 credits

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<b>Course Code:</b> LIDV28	<b>Education Cycle:</b> Second-cycle level
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<b>Reg number:</b> HLK 2016/3574-313	<b>Main field of study:</b> Media and Communication Science

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### Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

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

Knowledge and understanding

- demonstrate a profound ability to describe and discuss the applied research field's central theory and empirical works
- demonstrate a profound understanding of using databases for academic research
- demonstrate deep academic knowledge about a particular international communication issue

Skills and abilities

- demonstrate a profound ability to independently carry out a scientific study

Judgement and approach

- demonstrate a profound ability to critically analyze, review and evaluate scientific work
- demonstrate a profound ability of academic assessment
- demonstrate a profound ability to express well-founded criticism in scientific texts

### Contents

- Research design
- Empirical data collection and analysis
- Critical analysis of scientific texts
- Academic argumentation

### Type of instruction

The students receive tuition through joint seminars and supervision individually and/or in groups.

A digital learning platform is used.

Students who have been admitted to and registered on a course have the right to receive

instruction/supervision for the duration of the time period specified for the particular course to which they were accepted. After that, the right to receive instruction/supervision expires.

The teaching is conducted in English.

### **Prerequisites**

60 credits within the Master's program, or equivalent, including 15 thesis credits.

### **Examination and grades**

The course is graded A, B, C, D, E, FX or F.

The grades A, B, C, D and E are all passing grades. For courses with more than one examination, students are given a final grade based on an overall assessment of all examinations included in the course. The final grade of the course is issued only when all course units have been passed.

The examination is based on instruction and course literature.

The examination must allow for students to be assessed on an individual basis. Students may not make a second attempt at any examination (or element of examination) already passed in order to receive a higher grade. Further information concerning assessment and grading criteria is provided in a study guide distributed at the beginning of the course.

Students are guaranteed a minimum of three examination occasions, including the regular occasion.

If a student has failed the same examination three times, the student is entitled to request that the next examination is assessed and graded by a new examiner if possible. The decision to accept or reject such a request is made by the vice dean of education.

In case the course is terminated or significantly altered, examination according to the present course syllabus shall be offered on at least two occasions in the course of one year after the termination/alteration.

For this course, the examination is based on the master degree project in form of producing a scientific study.

Registration of examination:

Name of the Test	Value	Grading
Examination	15 credits	A/B/C/D/E/FX/F

### **Course evaluation**

At the end of the course, a course evaluation is performed and commented on by the course coordinator and, if possible, a student/students (course developer/s). The course evaluation, which is published on the relevant learning platform and submitted to the study administration,

is to function as a basis for future improvements to the course.

### **Course literature**

For the thesis, the literature is chosen in consultation with supervisor. The student is supposed to read at least 2000 pages.

#### Reference literature

*Citing Sources – How to Create Literature References.* <http://ju.se/library/search--write/citing-sources--how-to-create-literature-references.html>

Information Material about Anti-Plagiarism at Universities. *The Interactive Anti-Plagiarism Guide – Jönköping University.* <http://pingpong.hj.se/public/courseId/10565/publicPage.do>