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Examensbenämning

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Programbeskrivning

The education in the programme *Pathway Year - General Studies* for BI students corresponds to one year of full-time studies, comprising a total of 60 credits. In this programme the students study English, Social Sciences and Mathematics. The programme is designed for potential international degree seeking students to BI Norwegian Business School who want to improve their English language proficiency and familiarize themselves with Scandinavian society and culture as well as learning how to communicate in an intercultural environment. In addition, the Pathway Programme provides familiarity with higher education in Scandinavia and assists in developing communication in an academic environment. The horizontal aim is to develop and strengthen student skills within higher education through group work, social engagement, peer learning, reflective learning and autonomous learning whilst developing intercultural communication skills, metacognitive skills, information literacy and critical thinking.

The programme aims to prepare the student for academic studies in most fields, by improving the student's proficiency in spoken and written academic English and by helping the student navigate Scandinavian teaching methods and university life.

This programme does not lead to a degree, and the included mandatory courses are exclusive to the Pathway Programmes. The included courses are not available as stand-alone courses.

Mål

The aim of the Pathway Programmes is to prepare the student for either first or second cycle university level education in an intercultural and international environment. The Pathway Programmes shall develop the students to:

English

Knowledge and understanding

- Have improved their knowledge of English to include strategies for understanding, writing, and speaking English in most contexts they will encounter in an academic environment.
- Know how to produce academic text and presentations in different forms.

Skills and abilities

- Show proficiency in the production of text and speech in English, and necessary perceptive skills to ensure clarity and accuracy.
- Be able to do research and use strategies to assess if information is reliable.
- Participate actively in lectures, activities, group work and other interaction that occurs in the academic environment.

Judgement and approach

- Be able to critically evaluate their own learning based on self and peer reflection, as well as teacher feedback.

Life and Studies in Scandinavia

Knowledge and understanding

- Have knowledge about Scandinavian culture and society with enough depth and width to navigate situations they encounter in everyday life and the academic environment.

Skills and abilities

- Show familiarity with different aspects of Scandinavian society and culture.

Judgement and approach

- Be able to critically evaluate their own learning based on self and peer reflection, as well as teacher feedback.

Mathematics

Knowledge and understanding

- Have the necessary knowledge of mathematics for an academic environment and following academic education.

Skills and abilities

- Demonstrate the ability to carry out mathematical calculations and analysis needed in the academic environment and following academic education.

Judgement and approach

- Be able to critically evaluate their own learning based on self and peer reflection, as well as teacher feedback.

Culture and Society in the English Language + Literature in the English Language

Knowledge and understanding

- Show knowledge about basic perspectives on English language, literature and culture.

Judgement and approach

- Be able to critically evaluate their own learning based on self and peer reflection, as well as teacher feedback.

Business Communication in English - Intercultural and Ethical Awareness

Knowledge and understanding

- Have the knowledge and intercultural awareness needed to in business communication and to analyse business dilemmas from ethical perspectives.

Skills and abilities

- Show and use skills needed for successful intercultural communication in business relationships.
- Define and recognize cultural factors that affect the communication process.

Judgement and approach

- Be able to critically evaluate their own learning based on self and peer reflection, as well as teacher feedback.

Gender Geographies

Knowledge and understanding

- Explain human geographic perspectives, theories and concepts.

Skills and abilities

- Develop skills in effectively functioning in a cross-cultural environment.

Judgement and approach

- Reflect over the process of becoming interculturally competent.

Innehåll

The combination of courses in the programme is intended to give students a background that make them successful in their future studies and careers in an international milieu.

The English courses have been designed specifically to meet the needs of non-native English speakers who wish to develop their English language competencies and be able to communicate effectively in an academic environment. In addition to the development of the four main areas of language (reading, writing, speaking and listening), there is also a strong focus on academic skills including research ethics, critical thinking, academic writing and presentations. Students study contemporary social conditions in various countries and cultures from a historic perspective such as everyday life, time, space, place, scales, and environment. The courses include text-analytical exercises dealing with social and cultural aspects of relevance for the texts studied.

The topics within the Social Sciences courses include: comparison of cultures, cultural values and identity, multiculturalism and cultural change. The course Life and Studies in Scandinavia aims familiarity with Scandinavia where students will explore various aspects of Scandinavia such as politics, history, religion, governmental structure and traditions.

A course within Business Communication, 7.5 credits, course is given by BI Norwegian Business School and looks at intercultural communication and how culture affects business relationships. In addition, this course gives participants the opportunity to analyze business dilemmas from an ethical perspective. Through the course students will learn to demonstrate an understanding of intercultural awareness and ethical reflection by showing insight, balanced judgement and professionalism in written application of course-related material. The course takes place during the second semester.

The Pathway Mathematics course is designed to prepare students for academic business studies at BI Norwegian Business School by learning how to use:

- Basic algebra
- Geometric sums
- Studies of polynomial, power and exponential functions
- Derivatives, differentiation rules for the functions mentioned above
- Applications using the derivative to solve optimization problems Integrals

Kurser

Obligatoriska kurser

Kursbenämning	Hp	Huvudområde	Fördjupning	Kurskod
Culture and Society in the English Language	7,5	Engelska	G1N	LCSG18
Genusgeografier	7,5		G1N	LGGG18
Pathway English 2	20	Engelska	G1N	PE2G18
Pathway Life and Studies in Scandinavia 1	2,5		G1N	PL1G18
Pathway Mathematics 1	7,5		GXX	PM1F17
Practical English	7,5	Engelska	G1N	LPEG19

Programöversikt

Årskurs 1

Termin 1		Termin 2	
Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
Pathway English 2, 20 hp		Practical English, 7,5 hp	Culture and Society in the English Language, 7,5 hp
Pathway Life and Studies in Scandinavia 1, 2,5 hp			Genusgeografier, 7,5 hp
Pathway Mathematics 1, 7,5 hp			

Undervisning och examination

The teaching is conducted in English.

To pass the programme, the student needs to fulfil the criteria for all courses. Examination will be executed by written oral exams, writing tasks and mandatory participation in seminars. Different methods of examination can be used within a single course.

The student will be offered examination opportunities within the time frame of the programme. Mandatory workshops, study visits and assignments can figure within the frame of the programme.

All courses offered in this Pathway Programme at Jönköping University Enterprises will be graded Pass or Fail. The course offered by BI Norwegian Business School will follow BI's grading system.

Förkunskapskrav

High School Diploma and English language skills corresponding to:

IELTS 5.5 (no part below 5.0) or equivalent;

Internet based TOEFL test: 72, written test 17, or equivalent.

Villkor för fortsatta studier

The Programme courses in Semester 1 must be fulfilled to continue the Programme semester 2.

Övrigt

Active participation required in seminars, group discussions and mentoring sessions is compulsory in order to meet the requirements of the programme.

Course Certificate for courses given by Jönköping University Enterprise will be provided by Jönköping University Enterprise. Course Certificate for courses given by BI Norwegian Business School will be provided by BI Norwegian Business School.