



Swedish Environmental Policy and Praxis (7,5 ECTS credits)

Level: 1st cycle
Course ID: 0300

Admission requirements

General admission requirements for university studies. The course is a freestanding course.

Educational goals

After having completed the course students are expected to:

- Be able to give a general account of the instruments and policy tools in Sweden for creating environmental sustainability.
- Demonstrate an ability to discuss the experiences of different policy tools and to reflect on different perspectives on dilemmas and relevant ambitions.
- Show a general understanding of the Swedish Model for Environmental policy and its challenges for the future.

Course content

This course explores how Sweden has managed, and continues to manage, the use of its natural resources. A cross-section of the main issues for environmental policy is studied, such as climate and energy policy, sustainable forestry, and wastewater treatment and recycling of waste. Strengths as well as weaknesses are discussed, as will the role of different institutions and of values and culture behind Swedish environmental policies. The roles of government, local municipalities and various stakeholders, will be studied. Important policy tools, such as the Swedish environmental objectives system and the Swedish carbon tax will also be investigated. The course will include excursions and guest lectures by invited experts.

Teaching and examination

Instruction will be in the form of lectures and discussion seminars, mainly in Uppsala but also in Stockholm.

The examination consists of participation in seminars as well as examination in oral and written form at the end of the course.

Bibliography

Norman J. Vig, Michael E. Kraft, 2018: *Environmental Policy – New Directions for the Twenty-First Century – Tenth Edition*, CQ Press (ISBN 978-1506383460) (169 pp.).

Main reading, covered in a compendium with selected articles and documents, will be handed to the students during the course.

See also "Kursplaner: allmänna bestämmelser" (Course plans: General rules)

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