

From Fieldwork to Text: Writing Ethnographies, 7.5 credits

Etnografiskt skrivande: Från fältarbete till text, 7.5 hp

Third-cycle education course

7FIKO60

Department of Culture and Society

Valid from: Second half-year 2024

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Registration number

Learning outcomes

Upon successfully completing the course, students will be able to

- discuss and perform the analysis of a range of different fieldwork material
- identify how a text builds a narrative or argument and construct one themselves
- be able to reflect on others' and their own practices of writing their field

Contents

This course addresses turning fieldwork material – notes, interviews, documents – into publishable text from an anthropological point of view. Through theoretical texts and practical exercises, it covers the analysis of diverse fieldwork material, relating to theory, and writing reflective and publishable scholarly texts. The course addresses primarily PhD students in about mid-training; participants need empirical material to work with throughout the course.

Educational methods

The course work consists of

- assigned reading
- preparation for classes
- hands-on exercises
- participation in the classroom activities
- writing an article or chapter draft as a course paper

Examination

The examination consists of the following components:

- Active participation in all course sessions.
- Submission of a short seminar document before each reflection seminar, providing brief reflections on or posing questions for the seminar in question. It must be submitted to the seminar teacher and the other participants two days before the seminar.
- Submission of a course essay in which one theme related to the theoretical perspectives addressed in the course is discussed.

Grading

Two-grade scale

Course literature

The course literature consists of scientific articles and book chapters. The literature list is required preparatory reading, unless otherwise indicated. The literature list will be available in August.

General information

The course will be given in English (Swedish if all participants are fluent and comfortable Swedish speakers) and in person, alternating between campuses Norrköping and Valla, early September through mid-December 2024.