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Course 1MV502 – Worldviews and Discourses 5 ECTS

Number of students: 51

Number of passed students so far (17 June): 37

My comments concerning the evaluation

I must say I really enjoyed the course this semester; the students were so inspiring, well prepared and interested. I agree with many of their comments in this evaluation.

The students have also enjoyed the course judging from this evaluation, the course got very good results throughout.

I will try to coordinate the examination better with the other courses at the programme in the future; this might make the end of the semester easier to work through. I will also suggest some optional readings, such as scientific articles.

I will definitely invite the popular lecturers again and try to create a good atmosphere that allows for good discussions between students, like the one this year. Many students enjoyed discussion with their peers.

I will use even more alternative discussion methods such as Role Play or Open Space, in order to make the discussions more dynamic. The literature has received many praises, so it's likely we will use some of it again. The webpage has also been a good tool in administrating the course.

Concerning the course goals, they all received good results, but I can work more on the one relating to discourse analysis. And of course they should always be a focus.

Perhaps it's possible in the future to make some kind of field trip. I will also see if we can have more discussion concerning the literature.

I received a lot of positive remarks concerning my coordination and that was very encouraging!

Thank you all students for a great semester!

Malin Östman

Results - Course Evaluation:

Worldviews and discourses

How meaningful have the different learning methods used so far been for your process of learning?

1. Lectures (1=without meaning; 5=very meaningful)

Resultat : **4.15**

Mikael Kurkialas and Bo Kjelléns lectures stand out as especially good.

2. Seminars/Workshops (1=without meaning; 5=very meaningful)

Resultat : **4.02**

3. Course Literature (1=without meaning; 5=very meaningful)

Resultat: **4.17**

Comments: Many liked the book by David Greber and also Climate wars by Harald Welzer. There were differentiated opinions about the Lasse Berg book. Some wanted more optional readings, such as articles.

4. Examination tasks (1=without meaning; 5=very meaningful)

Resultat: **4.28**

Comments: Many comments saying that it's good to be able to reflect upon the issues, students seem to like the examination and think its creative and inspiring.

5. Discussions with classmates (1=without meaning; 5=very meaningful)

Resultat: **4.55**

Comments: Mostly positive feedback, for instance " For an European like me, it was sometimes extremely interesting to get points of view or critique from African or Asian people from the class."

6. Your own responsibility – I have given myself the necessary conditions for a good process of learning (1=I don't agree at all; 5=I totally agree)

Resultat: **4.17**

Fulfillment of learning outcomes

To which degree do you feel that the following learning outcomes have been fulfilled?

After finishing the course you shall...

...be able to show cross disciplinary understanding of different views of sustainable development and different ideologies in the field of environment and development...

Resultat: **4.17**

...be able to critically analyse controversies, similarities and disagreements in the sustainable development debate by deriving different standpoints from presumptions and views on humans, nature, development, technology and economy...

Resultat: **4.15**

...be able to use discourse analyses as a tool to understand the debate and practical applications of the concept of sustainable development...

Resultat: **3.69**

...have developed a personal attitude towards your own role regarding causes and solutions in the field of sustainable development...

Resultat: **4.2**

8. Skills, competences and perspectives (*based on Uppsala University's pedagogical program*).
To which degree has the course contributed to develop:

Your ability to discern, formulate and solve problems (1=not at all; 5=to a high degree)

Resultat: **3.82**

Your critical thinking (your ability to independently analyze, reflect, draw conclusions, evaluate, question and be creative) (1=not at all; 5=to a high degree)

Resultat: **4.15**

Your ability to communicate in writing (1=not at all; 5=to a high degree)

Resultat: **3.97**

Your ability to communicate orally (1=not at all; 5=to a high degree)

Resultat: **4.17**

D. The course as a whole

1. What is your general impression of the course? (1=bad; 5=excellent)

Resultat: **4.25**

Se mer kommentarer i slutet av denna värdering.

2. What do you think about the work rate of the course? (5 ECTS March-May)
(1=way too low; 5=way too high)

Resultat: **3.55**

Comments: In general it seems to have been OK, although some students indicated that there was too much at the end of the semester. Many also commented that the literature took some time.

3. In general, what do you think about the level of difficulty of the course?
(1=way too easy; 5=way too difficult)

Resultat: **3.0**

4. How did you prioritize the work with the course in relation to your other studies?
(1=the last thing I did; 5=before everything else)

Resultat: **3.07**

6. To which degree do you think that your knowledge and experiences have been made visible and been able to contribute to the course?

Resultat: **3.82**

9. I received all the information needed at the start of the course and during the course(1=I don't agree at all; 5=I totally agree)

Resultat: **4.12**

Comments: I seem to get a lot of praise for the organization of the course!

10. How often have you visited the course website (www.cemus.uu.se/student)?

Never A few times once a week 2-3 times/week Every day
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One can say that the website is important and many students use it frequently!

11. What is your general impression of the course coordinators work?

(1=bad; 5=excellent)

Results: **4.61**

Comments: I received a lot of nice comments and encouragement from the students, Thank you!

12. Has the course provided you with knowledge and skills that you think will be useful to your future studies or work? (1=not at all; 5=to a very large extent)

Resultat: **4.25**

E. How can the course be improved?

1. Concrete suggestions on how we can improve the course

General common comments:

Too much examination at the end of the course

Make some of the reading informal/ not compulsory

More things like Role Play or different kind of discussions and more supervision during discussions

More articles (scientific)

More discussion concerning the books

Field trip?

2. The best things about the course

General common comments:

The discussions

Good guest lecturers

Interesting to debate with classmates

Group discussions

Role Play

Organization

Good and open atmosphere

Critical analysis

The literature

3. Other comments

In general there were a lot of positive comments here! The students seem to really have enjoyed

the course and the discussions.

