



COURSE DESCRIPTOR

Knowledge Management

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7,5 ECTS credit points (7,5 högskolepoäng)

Course code: FE2408

Educational level: Advanced level

Course level: D

Field of education: Social sciences (50%) och technology (50%)

Subject area: Business administration

Version: 1

Applies from: 2008-01-21

Approved: 2007-12-04

Replaces course descriptor approved: 2005-04-25

1 Course title and credit points

The course is titled Knowledge Management/Knowledge Management and awards 7,5 credit points. One credit point (högskolepoäng) corresponds to one credit point in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

2 Decision and approval

This course is established by The Education Committee of the School of Management 2007-12-04. The course descriptor is approved by The Education Committee of the School of Management and applies from 2008-01-21.

3 Objectives

The overall objective of the course is to advance the student's understanding of the complexities involved in managing knowledge in organizations and how this can be approached in a way which integrates hard and soft approaches.

4 Content

The course comprises the following elements;

- Conceptualisations of Knowledge
- The Knowledge Based Economy
- Knowledge in Organisations
- Knowledge-based systems for capturing, storing and distributing tacit and explicit knowledge.
- Communities of Practice and Knowledge Landscapes.
- Organizational approaches to Knowledge Management
- Innovation and knowledge creation

5 Aims and learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student will:

- be aware of different epistemologies of knowledge and their implications
- understand the complexities involved in managing knowledge in an organization
- be able to conduct an analysis of the knowledge

management practises in an organization

6 Generic skills

The following generic skills are trained in the course:

- cognitive skills of critical thinking, analysis and synthesis
- teamwork in an intercultural setting
- oral and written communication

7 Learning and teaching

The course is designed as a series of seminars on different themes related to knowledge management. The seminars start from different academic articles which are discussed and analyzed by the students. The students also do group-based work on different assignments where they should apply the theoretical concepts and models on real-life organizational situations.

8 Assessment and grading

Examination of the course

Code	Module	Credit	Grade
0805	Assignment	0hp	U/G
0815	Special project	3hp	U/G/VG
0825	Take-home Exam	4.5hp	U/G/VG

The course will be graded Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG). The final course grade is calculated as the weighted average of the grade of the special project and the take-home exam. On request grades according to ECTS will be given.

9 Course evaluation

The course coordinator is responsible for systematically gathering feedback from the students in course evaluations and making sure that the results of these feed back into the development of the course.

10 Prerequisites

Students are expected to have completed three years of academic study with 90 points in either Software Engineering, or Business Administration. In addition students who have been accepted to the International MBA Programme are eligible for the course. (or the equivalent).

11 Field of education and subject area

The course is part of the field of education Social sciences (50%) och Technology (50%) and is included in the subject area business administration.

12 Restrictions regarding degree

The course cannot form part of a degree with another course, the content of which completely or partly corresponds with the contents of this course.

13 Course literature and other teaching material

Selected Articles

Hislop, Donald Knowledge management in organizations : a critical introduction", Oxford University Press, 2005, ISBN 0-19-926206-3

