



Thesis for Master's Degree in Business Administration Självständigt arbete för magisterexamen inom företagsekonomi

15 credits

Ladok Code: SSE01D

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Valid from:

Education Cycle: Second cycle

Main Field of Study (Progressive Specialisation): Business Administration (A1E)

Disciplinary Domain: Social sciences

Prerequisites: Passed courses on the basic level equivalent to 60 ECTS in business administration in addition to 15 ECTS in thesis work at the bachelor level within business administration and the equivalent of 15 ECTS in business administration at the advanced level within the chosen area of focus.

Subject Area: Business Administration

Grading Scale: Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG)

Content

The following areas are included in the course contents.

- Subject specification based on material presented to the supervisor
- Drafts of the work
- Planning reports
- The research will be reported in writing as well as orally and is concluded at a public hearing

The course builds on independent work in a group or individually that is accompanied with guidance, reports and presentations as well as a thesis opposition in a seminar format. The course begins with a student handing in a subject specification that will be the foundation for the division of the supervisors. Following this, the supervising will be given individually and/or in a group in parallel with seminars where the report will be presented throughout the term as more progress is made. The thesis work will be presented as a degree project at a seminar where the work will be subject to opposition from another student group.

Learning Outcomes

After completion of the course the student will be able to:

- Independently and critically describe as well as discuss scientific problems, research approaches, theoretical and methodological perspectives
- Display the competence and ability to be able to plan, complete and present thesis work where the student applies previously acquired methods and subject specific knowledge within the area
- Have the ability to critically analyse and draw conclusions based on a relevant and theoretical frame of reference and one's own empirical studies
- Display an independent and critical way of thinking when reviewing and opposing other thesis works
- Show a higher level of creativity and originality during the problem creation in relation to bachelor level thesis work
- In relation to bachelor level thesis work, show a higher level of methodological awareness and a deeper theoretical support and positioning when compared with earlier research in the area.

Forms of Teaching

Lectures consist of individual supervision and/or group supervision as well as seminars.

Forms of Examination

The thesis work is reported in writing and is presented and will be acquired at a final seminar. It is required to oppose another group's thesis work. The final grade for the course is based on a combination of the work performed in the

written and oral report and the thesis opposition. Student rights and responsibilities at exams are in accordance to the rules and regulations at the University College of Borås.

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Literature and Other Teaching Materials

Literature will be determined by the supervisor.

Student Influence and Evaluation

Student feedback and evaluations are based on dialogue and a close cooperation between the student and teacher. The course will be evaluated in accordance with the University College policy for course evaluations and will occur in formal conclusion of the finished course. The student is given the chance to grade the courses contents, the execution of the course, the presentation of the material, and the supervisor's performance. The evaluation will be made public in accordance to the academic schools guidelines and will form the foundation for future syllabi.

Miscellaneous

The course is offered as part of the programme in Master of Science in Business Administration & Business Informatics. It is also offered as an open course.