

## Research Ethics

### Forskningsetik

2.5 credits

**Ladok Code:** FBIFE02

**Version:** 2.0

**Established by:** Research and Education Board 2012-12-13

**Valid from:** Spring 2013

**Education Cycle:** Third cycle

**Research Subject:** Library and Information Science

**Prerequisites:** Bachelor's degree or equivalent Preference for doctoral students

**Grading Scale:** Fail (U) or Pass (G)

### Content

The course deals with research's general ethical foundations and problems with support from concepts and theories within different ethical traditions. In addition, the course deals with specific research ethical problems in relation to the research area of each participant. Finally, the course reviews regulations and considerations in relation to ethical reviews as regulated in Swedish law.

### Learning Outcomes

After completing the course, students are expected to be able to

- reflect on, critically review, and evaluate their own approaches in their own and others' research work
- identify and analyse general and specific ethical problems, dilemmas, and issues in research
- initiate and conduct an ethical dialogue using arguments based in ethical concepts and theories in relation to ethical problems' in research

### Forms of Teaching

The teaching is in the form of lectures and seminars. The teaching is conducted in Swedish or English depending on the students enrolled.

The languages of instruction are English and Swedish.

### Forms of Examination

The course is examined through individual written exams in which students discuss an ethical problem in research in relation to their own research and based on specified presented theories.

The student has the right to change examiner after failing twice with the same examiner.

A written request for a change is submitted to the Director of Studies.

Student rights and obligations at examination are in accordance with guidelines and rules for the University of Borås.

### Literature and Other Teaching Materials

Loue, S. (2000). Textbook of research ethics: theory and practice. New York: Kluwer Academic / Plenum Publishers.

Mauthner M., Birch M., Jessop J. & Miller T. (red.) (2002). Ethics in qualitative research. London: Sage Publications Ltd.

Litterature in italics in swedish:

*Helgesson G. 2006. Forskningsetik för medicinare och naturvetare. Lund: Studentlitteratur.*

*Prop. 2002/03:50, Etikprövning av forskning. Stockholm: Regeringskansliet.*

*Anvisade artiklar för seminarier tillkommer.*

## **Student Influence and Evaluation**

## **Miscellaneous**