Communication and Knowledge Translation in Research on Ageing and Health, MEKÅH01

3 credits Third cycle

General Information

The course is offered within the context of the Swedish Graduate School for Competitive Science on Ageing and Health (SWEAH) which is a consortium of partners from different higher education institutions and research agents coordinated by Lund University. It is mainly intended for research students affiliated to SWEAH.

The course is a part-time distance learning course using an online learning platform. It provides opportunities for face-to-face meetings.

Language of instruction

Swedish or English

Objective

The aim of the course is to provide students with opportunities to practise communication and dialogue based on their own research and relate it to the broad field of ageing and health.

Learning outcomes
On completion of the course, the participants shall be able to

- relate their own field of research to the broad field of ageing and health
- communicate their research in speech and writing to different audiences, e.g. the research community, media, stakeholders and the public
- reflect on their own presentations and their impact
- document goal achievement in a portfolio

Course content

Communication with the press and media, seminar presentations in interdisciplinary contexts, and oral and written presentations in accordance with the participants’ preferences. Individual participants have considerable opportunities to tailor course content individually. Moreover, the course provides information on the design of frame narratives so that the thesis clearly relates to the field of ageing and health.

Course design

The participants complete individual assignments and document their goal achievement in a portfolio including reflections and attachments.

The course makes use of a learning platform where participants complete and report different assignments. The material used for the assignments are the thesis projects of the participants. The participants have the opportunity to tailor the form of presentation and target group to their thesis project. Some activities on the learning platform are compulsory, e.g. discussions, presentations and feedback to other participants.

Doctoral student theme days can be used for different presentations and group activities supported by mentors/supervisors. Participation is optional.

Assessment

For a Pass on the course, students must have participated actively on the platform and documented their goal achievement in a portfolio.

Grades

The grades awarded are Pass and Fail.

Admission requirements
The student must be admitted to research studies at an affiliated higher education institution and be affiliated to the SWEAH graduate school.

**Required reading**

The required reading is selected in consultation with the course management and in relation to the participant’s individual preferences.