Course analysis LH225V autumn 2023

Course participants: 15 registered participants, 13 finished the course. Participants came from various departments at KTH, providing a good environment for cross-disciplinary learning.

Course design: Examiner Anna-Karin Högfeldt, course responsible Åsa-Karin Engstrand together with Charlotta Delin. Several guest lecturers attended the course, from KTH and Lund university. The course consisted of seven full days from August to December. Lectures were mixed with seminars. The standard format was lectures and interactive seminars followed by readings and writing of a reflective paper. Before each day (except for the first and last day), participants were asked to carry out a small assignment that was discussed in the following class. Examination consisted of seminar participation, writing of reflective papers and presentation of an intervention.

Results: As stated above, 13 students finished the course.

Student evaluation: Both an anonymous evaluation and an oral evaluation were carried out which showed that the students are very content with the course, especially the inclusive atmosphere and rich learning opportunities. Some of the readings were considered too hard, especially the text on epistemology. Some classes were considered to be scheduled too close to each other. The location in the M-building was not considered optimal, especially for students coming from outside Stockholm. Some students objected to the seminar on sexual harassment as discussion on issues related to sexal harassment felt too personal and sensitive. Some pointed to that not all students had prepared the small assignment, which made group discussions more difficult.

Course development: We will continue with providing an inclusive environment for the participants. The location of M is not possible to change due to financial reasons. The readings will be reviewed and possible amendments considered. The schedule will also be reviewed so that there is sufficient space between the classes. Adjustments will also be made concerning the seminar on sexual harassment and the reporting on the individual small assignment will be carried out in the class as a whole.