

Course syllabus for PhD studies

1. Identification and course details	
1.	Course code HÖS006F
2.	Course title <i>Critical Perspectives on East and South-East Asian Studies / Kritiska perspektiv på Öst- och Sydöstasiastudier</i>
3.	Credits <i>7.5 credits</i>
4.	Details of approval <i>Approved in accordance with the rules of procedure and delegation at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 21 December 2021</i>
5.	Details of revision

2. General information	
1.	Type of course and its placement in the educational system <i>This is a compulsory course in the third cycle programme in East and South-East Asian Studies.</i>
2.	Language of instruction <i>English</i>

3. Learning outcomes	
	On completion of the course, the students shall be able to
1.	Knowledge and understanding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> describe the interdisciplinary subject East and South-East Asian Studies and its development identify and describe a selection of different issues, theories and approaches within area studies.
2.	Competence and skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> present and discuss their own research and research findings as well as that of others, both orally and in writing discuss the interdisciplinary theories and methods that are applied in area studies in an in-depth and nuanced manner reflect upon and apply insights from area studies within a delimited area and a specific country in the region in an in-depth manner.

3.	Judgement and approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> independently and critically reflect upon the importance of area studies as well as their challenges, critics and alternative approaches.
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4. Course content		
1.	Brief description of the course and its content, including details of any sub-divisions in the course.	The interdisciplinary research field East and South-East Asian Studies is addressed and analysed during the course. The course gives an overview of key research projects, journals and research institutions. Focus is on the history, development and relevance of the area studies in terms of understanding the contemporary social processes and problems in East and South-East Asia. Delimited area studies on China, Japan and South-East Asia are also discussed. The criticism directed at area studies, the relationship between the traditional disciplines and area studies, and new alternative concepts are discussed as well. The interdisciplinary theories and methods that are applied within area studies are analysed in terms of both the study of the region at large and with focus on specific countries and subjects. Insights from area studies will also be discussed and applied to the doctoral student's thesis topic.

5. Teaching and assessment		
1.	Teaching methods employed, including details of any compulsory components	<i>Teaching is in the form of 3-5 seminars in which items on the required reading list are discussed and a seminar paper is presented.</i>
2.	Examination details	<i>Compulsory participation in the seminars and a written seminar paper.</i>

6. Grades		
1.	Grading scale	<i>Pass, Fail</i>
2.	Grading of the complete course	
3.	Modules and variations in grading (if applicable)	

7. Required reading		
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1.	Reading list	<i>For a list of the required reading and other study resources, see appendix.</i>
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8.	Other information	
1.	<i>The course is offered at the Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies.</i>	
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