

Department of Business Administration

EHFE013, Philosophy of Science,

7.5 credits

Vetenskapsfilosofi,

7,5 hp

Third Cycle/Forskarutbildningsnivå

General information

The course EHFE013 is a course in Business Administration at the third cycle level. The course is compulsory for PhD students accepted to the PhD programme in Business Administration at Lund University School of Economics and Management.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies: Business Administration

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

A passing grade on the course will be awarded to students who:

- Demonstrate knowledge of traditions and approaches in the philosophy of science.

Competence and skills

A passing grade on the course will be awarded to students who:

- Demonstrate ability to analyze and evaluate philosophy of science arguments in relation to issues in the social science (especially the economic sciences).

Judgement and approach

A passing grade on the course will be awarded to students who:

- Demonstrate ability to critically apply philosophy of science approaches to their own and others' research, and evaluate philosophical assumptions against alternatives.

Course content

- The role of Philosophy of Science in relation to the sciences
- Approaches in the Philosophy of Science
- Scientific explanations
- Progress in science
- Theory and reality
- Values and science

Course design

The course is based on seminars.

Assessment

Written essay.

Credits

Grades are Pass or Fail.

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Entry requirements

PhD students accepted to the PhD programme in Business Administration or an adjacent subject are eligible for the course.

Course literature

See separate literature list.



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Risjord, M. (2014). *Philosophy of Social Science: A Contemporary Introduction*. Routledge: New York. 302 pp.

Hand-outs