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## Course Guidelines

**MK7029, Method Project**

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**Start of the course: 180903**

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### **Course description:**

The method project course builds upon the student's experience of method application from the course Methodology and Research Methods as well as from the earlier bachelor's course. This means that tuition and exercises are partially individualised, with varying focus on quantitative or qualitative methods. The course includes method exercises in the form of limited pilot studies based on research questions formulated by the students, and places combinations of methods in focus.

The overarching purpose is to offer increased practical abilities within at least two methods relevant to Media and Communication Studies.

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### **Assessment :**

The course is examined through the writing of a project report based on the completed pilot study. The project report is submitted and discussed at a seminar. Peer assessment of another student's project report is also required.

Students need to compose their written assignments so that they can be presented electronically, if the teacher so requires. Written exams may be scanned with the tool Urkund. Possible fraud, such as plagiarism, will be reported to the University Disciplinary Committee. Corrected exams can be collected at the Student Office.

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### **Examination dates:**

See TimeEdit-link on [www.ims.su.se](http://www.ims.su.se)

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### **Plagiarism**

As a student, you will be writing and submitting different types of written assignments. It is fundamental that you know that no kind of plagiarism is permitted.

Plagiarism consists of:

- Students copying from each other;



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- Students copying from the internet, books, articles or other sources without a clear reference;
- Students passing a work or a citation as their own when it is not;
- All kind of cut-and-paste writing strategies.

Any incident of this kind will be reported to the Disciplinary committee of Stockholm University. In case you are found guilty you might be suspended from the University for a period of time.

In order to avoid plagiarism you need to:

- Clearly reference your sources by specifying the author(s), the book/article/text and the page;
- Highlight that you are citing someone else's words by using quotation marks;
- Make clear whose thoughts you are presenting if they are not your own;
- Not share your work with other students while in the process of writing the exam assignment.

Writing your own text in your own words is part of your learning process. This will develop your ability to think independently and express your thoughts in speech and writing.