

# COURSE SYLLABUS **Communicating Nations: Media and National Identities**, **10 credits**

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Course Code:	LCNG10	Education Cycle:	Basic level
Confirmed by:	Director of Education Nov 25, 2019	Disciplinary	Social sciences
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Version:	1	Subject group:	MK1
		Specialised in:	G1F
		Main field of study:	Media and Communication Science

### Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

On completion of the course, the student should be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- identify the mediated contexts within which the concept of nationhood evolves, both historically and in contemporary settings

- analyse the political, cultural and economic frameworks that both support and problematise the concept of nationhood

Skills and abilities

- construct an argument in relation to how media construct the nation

Judgement and approach

- critically reflect on how media representations frame the subjective experience of national identity

- contextualise the seminal role media technologies have played in representing nationhood

### Contents

- The nation as an 'imagined community'
- Forces of globalisation
- The roles diasporas play in representing nations
- The consolidation of national cultural myths
- News media and nationhood
- 'Glocalisation'
- Global cultural convergence
- Concepts of global citizenry
- Intersections between nationhood, modernity and sovereignty

### Type of instruction

The teaching consists of a lecture and a tutorial.

An e-learning platform is used.

Students who have been admitted to and registered for a course have the right to receive instruction/supervision for the duration of the time period specified for the particular course to which they were accepted. After that, the right to receive instruction/supervision expires.

The teaching is conducted in English.

## Prerequisites

30 credits first-cycle courses in any educational area.

Fluency in English equivalent to at least 575 (paper based) or 90 (internet based) TOEFL score. Exemption is granted from the requirement in Swedish.

### Examination and grades

The course is graded A, B, C, D, E, FX or F.

The grades A, B, C, D and E are all passing grades. For courses with more than one element of examination, students are given a final grade based on an overall assessment of all the elements included in the course. The final grade of the course is issued only when all elements of examination have been passed.

The examination is based on instruction and course literature.

The course is examined through: Seminar (2 credits), Group presentation (4 credits) and Individual written assignment (4 credits)

The examination must allow for students to be assessed on an individual basis. Further information concerning assessment of specific intended learning outcomes and grading criteria is provided in a study guide distributed at the beginning of the course.

Students are guaranteed a minimum of three attempts to pass an examination, including the regular attempt.

If a student has failed the same examination three times, the student is entitled to request that the next examination be assessed and graded by a new examiner. The decision to accept or reject such a request is made by the vice dean of education. A student may not make a second attempt at any examination already passed in order to receive a higher grade.

In case a course is terminated or significantly altered, examination according to the earlier syllabus shall be offered on at least two occasions in the course of one year after the termination/alteration.

Registration of examination:

Name of the Test	Value	Grading
Seminar	2 credits	A/B/C/D/E/FX/F
Group presentation	4 credits	A/B/C/D/E/FX/F
Individual written assignment	4 credits	A/B/C/D/E/FX/F

#### **Course evaluation**

The instruction is followed up throughout the course. At the end of the course, a course evaluation is performed and commented on by the course coordinator and, if possible, a student representative/student representatives (course developer/s). The evaluation, which is published on the relevant e-learning platform and submitted to the administration, is to function as a basis for future improvements to the course.

### **Course literature**

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