

Department of Business Administration

## EHFE013, Philosophy of Science,

7.5 credits

*Vetenskapsfilosofi,*

*7,5 hp*

*Third Cycle/Forskarutbildningsnivå*

### Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the Department Board on 2009-09-24 and was last revised on 2014-09-23 by the same. The revised syllabus applies from 2015-01-01.

### 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.