Master’s Degree Programme in Social Exclusion

In the midst of today’s rapidly evolving society, the number of people suffering from a combination of poverty, deprivation of legal rights, and cultural and social isolation is proving to be a growing global issue. This phenomenon known as ‘social exclusion’ is a complex condition that extends beyond economic disadvantage and poverty. It is a multifaceted process through which people lose political, legal, and social agency, and through which they are stigmatized or discriminated against.

With all of this in mind, this programme sets out to educate its students about the principles of coexistence and offers tools for analysing social exclusion from a multidisciplinary and global perspective. It teaches students to evaluate strategies that promote better social awareness and inclusion; and looks in-depth at the conditions that lead to social exclusion, its negative effects on society and to what degree different cultures are affected.

Students who engage fully with this programme will be able to critically reflect on social and cultural states from a larger perspective based in the humanities, and anchored in subjects such as history, ethics, philosophy, gender studies, theology and minority studies. Belief systems, trends, values, ideologies, power and social practices within society will also be given particular focus throughout the duration of this programme, allowing students to closely examine the factors that contribute to societal problems and how it might be possible to overcome these shortcomings.

Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates will be awarded with either a Master of Theology or Master of Arts, depending on their previous studies and the area of specialization chosen upon commencement of the programme.

Related Master’s Programmes
You might also be interested in our Master’s Programmes in Swedish, Master’s Programme in Culture, History and Philosophy (Magisterprogrammet i kultur, historia och filosofi) and Master’s Programme in Theology (Magisterprogrammet i teologi). Please note that these Master’s Programmes require good knowledge of Swedish.

Career Prospects
The Master’s Degree Programme in Social Exclusion is especially suited to those looking to pursue careers in areas such as research, politics, equal opportunities policies and human rights institutions and organizations. As this course equips students with the skills needed to work in both national and international settings, graduates will find themselves open to a diverse range of opportunities in private and public sectors, as well as in non-governmental organizations and civil society. Additionally, skills developed throughout the duration of this programme are highly relevant in arts, writing, and media careers.