

WRITTEN EXAMINATION

SOS2603 – Nordic welfare society – contemporary perspectives

Friday, December 15th 2017
4 hours

No aids, except for dictionaries that have been submitted to the Faculty of Social Sciences for control, are permitted.

Examination results will be announced **January 10th 2018 at 2 p.m.** Examination results will be published on Studentweb at approx. 3 p.m. the same day.

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The exam papers comprise **2 pages** including this one.

Remember to note your candidate number.

You must answer both question 1 and question 2. In question 2 you will answer either assignment 2A, 2B or 2C. Question 1 counts 1/3 and question 2 counts 2/3 of the final exam grade.

The exam can be written in English, Norwegian, Swedish or Danish.

Question 1

Outline and discuss briefly three (3) of the four (4) following concepts:

1. Total fertility rate
2. Societal corporatism
3. Comprehensive school system
4. Decommmodification

Question 2

Discuss one (1) of the following three (3) topics:

EITHER

2A) Select two social movements. You can choose two old ones (religious/revivalist, farmers, workers or women) or two new ones (environmental, anti-globalisation, anti-immigration), or one of each. Compare the two movements, and discuss their influence on institutions and institutional complementarity in one or more Nordic countries.

OR

2B) Outline the main features (values and institutions) of the Nordic model of work and care (childcare regimes, family policy). Discuss the main contemporary challenges to this model.

OR

2C) Give an overview of the historical development of migration flows in and out of the Nordic countries. Discuss present-day economic and political aspects of integration of immigrants.