# Course structure Food ethics (LV0115)

The course is divided into 4 themes related to the food chain, each with its own with meetings, readings and assignments.

The schedule shows when to attend **IRT teaching slots** (which will not be recorded):

* lectures with discussion time,
* seminars, and
* chat time slots for any questions or discussions you have to the themes.

The reading column shows ‘when to read what’ from the literature list. **Please come prepared to the meetings!**

Format in bold text = mandatory to attend.

Teachers: Helena Röcklinsberg (HR), PB Patrik Baard (PB) and Per Sandin (PS).

There will be individual and group assignments. Detailed information about the assignments related to each Theme will be available in Canvas.

HOw to READ the SCHEDULE

7,5 ECTS Autumn 2024 within the Master’s program Sustainable Food Systems, SLU

Course period: Oct 2nd to Oct 31st

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| **When** | **Format of meeting, Teacher** | **What** | **Reading and other course material** |
| **Oct 2nd -**  **Oct 6th** |  | **Theme I**  **Ethics: theory** |  |
| 2 Oct  10.15-12.00 | **Lecture + discussion**  HR, PB | Intro to the course and to food ethics | Hub Zwart, 2000 |
| 3 Oct  10.15-12.00 | Lecture  PS | Utilitarianism, Duty ethics and Virtue ethics | Gjerris et al 2013: Intro, Chapter 1-4  Kortetmäki 2022: Chapter 3  Pods on normative ethical theories Links in Canvas |
| 3 Oct  13.00-14.00 | Chat  PB |  |  |
| 4 Oct  10.15-12.00 | Lecture  PS | Utilitarianism, Duty ethics and Virtue ethics | Gjerris et al 2013: Chapter 5-8  Kortetmäki 2022 : Chapter 3  Pods on normative ethical theories Links in Canvas |
| 4 Oct  13.15-15.00 | **Seminar**  PB | Discussion of the normative ethical theories | All reading materials for this Theme |

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| **7-11 Oct** |  | **Theme II**  **Production and Distribution** |  |
| **When** | **Format and teacher** | **What** | **Reading and other course material** |
| 7 Oct  10.15-12.00 | Lecture + discussion  PB | Ethics in the prod system - Small scale, large scale, farmers’ markets | Sandler, chapter 1-3 |
| 7 Oct  13.15-15.00  HR | Lecture + discussion  HR | Meat production, animal ethics and consumption | Sandøe and Christiansen 2008, chapter 5; Sinclair et al 2022 |
| 10 Oct  13.15-15.00 | **Seminar on course literature**  PB |  | Röös et al 2016; Schulze et al 2019 |
| 11 Oct  9.00-10.00 | Chat  HR |  |  |

The individual work (reading, preparing assignments etc.) is not scheduled here.

Between these fixed points of time, you are responsible to structure your studies, in order to prepare properly for IRT meetings and assignments.

NB Information about deadlines for individual assignments, and steps in the working process, will be available in the detailed schedule in Canvas.

Planning your time

The course is rather intense given the short time period and number of credits.

For many students ethics is a relatively new discipline, yet the course is on masters level, which requires full attendance to the course.

Hence, if you have not studied ethics before, attendance during the first week (on ethical theories) is crucial to be able follow the subsequent teaching and assignments.

attendance during the course

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| **14-18 Oct** |  | **Theme III**  **Consumption and Waste** |  |
| **When** | **Format and teacher** | **What** | **Reading and other course material** |
| 14 Oct  10.15-12.00 | Lecture + discussion  PS | Lecture on Naturalness and GM | Sandler: Chapter4-6, Siipi 2015 |
| 15 Oct |  | Recorded lecture on Consumption | Dieterle 2022; Mepham 2000, Gjerris & Gaiani 2014 |
| 17 Oct  10.15-12.00 | **Seminar on course literature**  PB | Seminar on ethical issues in Consumption and Waste | All reading materials for this Theme |
| 17 Oct  13.15-15.00 | **Introduction to Theme IV**  HR |  |  |
| 18 Oct  9.00-10.00 | Chat  PS |  |  |

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| **21-25 Oct** |  | **Theme IV – your choice** |  |
| **When** | **Format and teacher** | **What** | **Reading and other course material** |
| 21 Oct  9.15-12.00 | **Seminar**  HR | Focus on your submitted topics  Introduction to assignment | All course materials + articles of your choice related to your topic. |
| 23 Oct  9.00-10.00 | Chat  HR |  |
| 24 Oct  9.00-10.00 | Chat  HR |  |
| **28-31 Oct** |  | **Theme VI – presentation of your own theme** |
| 28 Oct  9.00-10.00 | Chat  PB |  |
| 29 Oct  9.00-10.00 | Chat  PS |  |
| 30 Oct  *NB all day: 8.15-12*  *13.15-16* | **Seminar** with students’ presentation of chosen theme  PS morgon/ PB |  |
| 31 Oct  *NB all day: 8.15-12*  *13.15-16* | **Seminar** with students’ presentation of chosen theme PS + PB |  |  |

<https://student.slu.se/en/studies/courses-and-programmes/course-search/course/LV0115/10242.2425/Food-Ethics/>

Lectures, seminar questions, links to journals and further reading material etc. will be available in Canvas before course start for registered students.

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FURTHER INFORMATION