

## Course structure Food ethics (LV0115)

7,5 ECTS Autumn 2023

within the Master's program Sustainable Food Systems, SLU

Course period: Sept 30<sup>th</sup> to Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

Link to all IRT sessions will be available at course start

Teaching slots: **10.15-12.00** CET unless otherwise stated in the schedule (under the column 'When')

Chat time **11.00-12.00** CET unless otherwise stated in the schedule

When	Format and teacher	What	Reading and other course material	Assignment (Short description here, full description in Canvas)
<b>Sept 28 - 6 Oct</b>		<b>Theme I Ethics: theory</b>		
28 Sept	Lecture + discussion PS	Intro to the course and to food ethics	Hub Zwart, 2000	Group assignment: Preparation: create questions to bring to your group on ethical theories.
29 Sept	Chat PS			At the discussion/seminar: group discussions where you pose and respond to questions.
2 Oct	Lecture + discussion PS	Utilitarianism, Duty ethics and Virtue ethics	Gjerris et al 2013: Intro, Chapter 1-4 Kortetmäki 2022: Chapter 3 Pods on ethical theories	Be prepared to present a) your questions and b) your responses to the questions at the lecture/seminar on Oct 5th
4 Oct	Lecture + discussion PS	Utilitarianism, Duty ethics and Virtue ethics	Gjerris et al 2013: Chapter 5-8 Kortetmäki 2022 : Chapter 3 Pods on ethical theories	Submit your group's questions in Canvas no later than Oct 6 <sup>th</sup> 13.00.
5 Oct 13.15-14.00	PS	Chat		Individual assignment: written assignment as described in Canvas.
6 Oct				Deadline for handing in group and individual assignments (Word documents) in Canvas

<b>9-13 Oct</b>				
<b>Theme II Production and Distribution</b>				
<b>When</b>	<b>Format and teacher</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Reading and other course material</b>	<b>Assignment (Short description here, full description in Canvas)</b>
9 Oct  13.15-15.00	Lecture + discussion HR	Recorded lectures: Overview on ethical issues in distribution and production  Meat production, animal ethics and consumption	Sandler, chapter 1-3  Sandøe and Christiansen 2008, chapter 5; Eriksson et al 2017	Group assignment: Choose and read 2 serious newspaper debate articles on food production and distribution from an English newspaper, present the text's pro/contra argument, make an ethical elaboration of the issues based on the ethical theories, conclude and argue for a position.  Hand in a video of group discussion where all elements (pro/contra, ethical elaboration, conclusion, your position) are well documented and easy to follow no later than Oct 13 <sup>th</sup> at 13.00.
11 Oct 13.15-15.00	Seminar on course literature HR		Röös et al 2016; Schulze et al 2019	
12 Oct	Chat HR			
13 Oct				Prepare your choice of focus area for individual writing assignment in Theme IV.

<b>16-20 Oct</b>				
<b>Theme III Consumption and Waste</b>				
<b>When</b>	<b>Format and teacher</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Reading and other course material</b>	<b>Assignment (Short description here, full description in Canvas)</b>
16 Oct 15.15-17.00	Lecture + discussion PS	Lecture on Naturalness and GM	Sandler: Chapter 4-6, Siipi 2015	<p>Group assignment: Create 5 quizz questions (and possible answers) on the book by Sandler for everybody. Start with group discussions on the literature to select core parts to make questions about. Formulate precise quiz questions and 3 alternative answers. Deadline for submitting quiz questions in Canvas is Oct 19<sup>th</sup>.</p>
17 Oct		Recorded lecture on Consumption	Dieterle 2022; Mephram 2000, Gjerris & Gaiani 2014	
18 Oct 9.15-11.00	Seminar on course literature PS	Seminar on ethical issues in Consumption and Waste	Material from previous two lectures	
19 Oct	Chat PS			
21 Oct				
				Reflect and read about a potential focus area for ethical elaboration along the themes II and III.

23-27 Oct				
When	Format and teacher	Theme IV – your choice What	Reading and other course material	Assignment (Short description here, full description in Canvas)
23 Oct	Lecture and discussion HR, PS	Focus on <i>examples</i> of themes Introduction to assignment	All course materials + articles of your choice related to your topic.	Individual assignments: -Take the quiz this week. -Ethical elaboration along the themes II and III presented at last day as a ppt including explicit line of argumentation and references
24 Oct	Chat HR			Inform teacher in Canvas bout your choice of topic no later than Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>
25 Oct	Chat HR			
26 Oct <i>NB all day: 8.15-12 13.15-16</i>	Seminar with students' presentation of chosen theme			
27 Oct <i>NB all day: 8.15-12 13.15-16</i>	Seminar with students' presentation of chosen theme			Hand in your ppt in Canvas no later than Oct 31 <sup>st</sup> at 13.00

This schedule gives an overview of lectures and seminars and assignments, in short: when to do what and who is the teacher. Between these fixed points of time, you are responsible to structure your studies, in order to prepare properly for seminars and deadlines.

All lectures, links to journals and further reading material etc. will be available in Canvas for registered students. NB late admission is not recommended, since the course is rather intense and attendance during the first week (on ethical theories) is crucial to be able follow the subsequent teaching and assignments.

For further information: <https://student.slu.se/en/studies/courses-and-programmes/course-search/course/LV0115/10352.2324/Food-Ethics/>