

Changes and Challenges at
Universitetskanslers-
ämbetet (UKÄ)/
Swedish Higher Education
Authority



Government assignments

- University qualification criteria, 15 dec 2021.
- Network for coordination of follow-up, evaluation and analysis of HE sector, 10 May 2022
- Thematic evaluation of widening participation, 1 march 2022

- Consequences of the covid -19 pandemic, 1 dec 2022
- Sweden's recovery plan, 15 March 2026
- Conditions for foreign HEI establishment in Sweden. 10 may 2022.
- Tenure track systems. 15 march 2022.
- Fixed term employment. 15 march 2024.
- Ph.d. programs (volume, labor market etc). 15 march 2024.
- European Graduate Tracking Initiative. ÅR.
- Digital skills, 31 oct 2022

The national system – an overview

- **Institutional reviews of HEI's QA system** being the corner stone
- Programme evaluations for specific gov't needs or if special requirements
- Review of applications prior to starting new degree programs
- Thematic evaluations as sector enhancement efforts



Programme evaluations



Institutional reviews of the HEI's quality assurance processes



Appraisal of applications for degree-awarding powers



Thematic evaluations



Quality assurance of higher education and research as from 2023

Principles



System developed to be more:

- Refined with less overlap
- Accurate and predictable
- Flexible and adapted to the situation
- Resource efficient and complementary

UKÄ:

- Works dialogue-based and transparently
- Makes decisions with integrity and joint government agency responsibility

Expectations



- Trustworthy
- Trust-based
- Demands responsibility

Vision



Review for development -
we secure
Sweden as a
knowledge
society

From your experience:

- How do we get HEIs to take full ownership of assuring high quality in HE and research?
- How do we best catch the actual quality work at the HEIs?
- What gives added value for the HEIs?