

# Syllabus

for course at advanced level

**Syntax**

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**7.5 Higher Education**

**Credits**

**7.5 ECTS credits**

<b>Course code:</b>	ENSYH9
<b>Valid from:</b>	Autumn 2009
<b>Date of approval:</b>	2009-06-08
<b>Department</b>	Department of English
<b>Main field:</b>	English
<b>Specialisation:</b>	A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

## Decision

This syllabus was approved by the Board of the Department of English on June 8, 2009.

## Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Bachelor of Arts degree with at least 90 ECTS credits, or the equivalent, in a subject area relevant to the course. English B / English 6 or the equivalent.

## Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
SYH9	Syntax	7.5

## Course content

This course provides a thorough introduction to the syntactic features of the English language, as well as an introduction to the foundation and argumentation of at least one of the leading syntactic theories. The course presumes prior knowledge from previous courses in English syntax (basic generative syntax).

## Learning outcomes

Upon completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:

- Give an account of the syntactic features of English;
- Discuss syntactic issues in a scholarly fashion;
- Give an account of methods and central concepts used in discussions of syntax.

## Education

Instruction is given in the form of compulsory lectures and seminars. The form and extent of the training may be adjusted according to the number of students in the course.

## Forms of examination

a. The course is assessed as follows:

The course is examined on the basis of an assessment of active participation at the seminars, as well as written assignments.

b. Students will receive letter grades on a seven-point scale related to the learning objectives of the course:

A = Excellent  
B = Very Good  
C = Good  
D = Satisfactory  
E = Adequate  
Fx = Inadequate  
F = Totally Inadequate

c. The assessment criteria for the course will be distributed at the beginning of the course.

d. To pass the course, the grade E or higher is required.

e. If students fail a course unit and receive the grade Fx or F on an examination, they are allowed to retake the examination up to four times, as long as the course is still provided, in order to obtain a grade of E or higher. Students who receive a grade of E or higher on an examination may not retake the examination to attain a higher grade.

Students who receive the grade Fx or F on an examination twice by the same examiner are entitled to have another examiner appointed to determine the grade on the examination, unless there are any specific reasons against it. Such a request should be addressed to the Board of the Department.

f. Attendance to this course is mandatory and a prerequisite for passing.

### **Interim**

If this course is discontinued, or its contents are substantially altered, students have the right to be examined according to this syllabus once per semester for three further semesters.

For comparisons with the previous course system, please refer to the department's student counsellor or director of studies.

### **Limitations**

This course may not be included in a degree together with a course, taken in Sweden or elsewhere, of identical or partially similar content.

### **Required reading**

Aarts, Bas. (2008). English Syntax and Argumentation. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan.

Additional material as instructed by the teacher.