

# Department of English

# **Syllabus**

for course at advanced level English for Academic Research Avancerad akademisk engelska

7.5 Higher Education Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:ENAEV0Valid from:Spring 2010Date of approval:2009-12-18

**Department** Department of English

Main field: English

Specialisation: 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 1, 2007 and revised on May 30, 2008.

#### Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Bachelor of Arts degree, Swedish upper secondary school course English B/English 6 or equivalent.

### Course structure

Examination codeNameHigher Education CreditsAEV0Seminars7.5

#### **Course content**

This course consists of seminars with the general goal of improving the student's oral and written proficiency in academic contexts, especially when it comes to participating at seminars and writing an academic essay. Moreover, the course aims in part to increase the student's confidence in using English in academic contexts and in part to provide the student with the tools and the insight to continue to develop their own language skills.

#### Learning outcomes

Upon completion of the course, the student is expected to be able to:

- •Perform oral presentations in English within their field of study;
- •Participate actively and constructively at seminars and workshops in English;
- •Identify and apply argumentative strategies adjusted to their field of study;
- •Pay attention to, and to correct, regular mistakes in their own speech and writing in English;
- •Observe the formal norms of their field of study.

#### Education

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

### Forms of examination

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

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

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

The course grade will be calculated by weighing the results from the different presentations and assignments.

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.

If students receive the grade Fx or F on an examination twice by the same examiner, they 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.

#### 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. However, the restrictions mentioned above in the forms of examination section still apply.

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

Material as instructed by the teacher.