

7.5 Higher Education

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Credits

Department of English

Syllabus for course at advanced level

English for Academic Research Avancerad akademisk engelska

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Main field: Specialisation: ENAEV0 Autumn 2014 2009-12-18 2013-10-23 Department of English

English A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus was adopted by the Faculty Board of Humanities on 23 October 2013.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

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

Course structure

Examination codeNameAE14English for Academic Research

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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. All teaching sessions are mandatory. The language of instruction is English. Fore more detailed information, please refer to the course description.

Forms of examination

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

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

- A = ExcellentB = 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. In order to pass the course, students must receive a passing grade on all examinations and meet the attendance requirement of 80%. Students who have not completed all mandatory assignments within two weeks of the end of the course will not receive a grade. After this, they will have the opportunity to complete any outstanding assignments within two years in order to obtain a passing grade.

e. 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 Department Board.

f. The completion of a supplementary assignment in order to convert the grade Fx into a passing grade may be permitted if the student is close to meeting the criteria for a passing grade. In such cases, the student will be given an assignment by the teacher. If the student submits an adequate assignment within two weeks, and the flaws were simple mistakes related to formatting, the full grading scale will be used. If the flaws were related to understanding, the student will not be able to receive a grade higher than C.

At least two examination opportunities should be offered during the semester when the course is given. In addition, at least one examination opportunity should be offered during a semester when the course is not given.

Interim

When the syllabus is discontinued, students have the right to be examined according to this syllabus once per semester during a transition period of three semesters.

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

For up-to-date information about required reading, please refer to the course website at www.english.su.se. The current reading list will be made available at least one month before the course starts.