

Syllabus

for course at advanced level

Baltic Linguistics
Baltisk språkvetenskap

**7.5 Higher Education
Credits**
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	BAL730
Valid from:	Autumn 2010
Date of approval:	2010-09-07
Department	Department of Slavic and Baltic Studies Finnish Dutch and German
Main field:	Baltiska språk
Specialisation:	A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

The course syllabus has been passed by the board of the Department of Baltic Languages, Finnish and German on September 7, 2010.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
7300	Baltic Linguistics	7.5

Course content

The course consists of a detailed review of the history, grammar and phonology of the Baltic languages, as well as a deeper analysis of certain aspects of the sound history, grammar and historical development of the Baltic languages.

The course consists of a general obligatory part and an elective part, where the student chooses a specific topic within Baltic linguistics in cooperation with the examiner.

Learning outcomes

Having completed the course the student has demonstrated:

- advanced theoretical knowledge and specific knowledge about the structure and historical development of the Baltic languages
- advanced theoretical knowledge and specific knowledge about the grammar of the Baltic languages
- advanced theoretical knowledge and specific knowledge about the sound history and phonology of the Baltic languages
- an ability to conduct a theoretical discussion about the sound history, grammar and historical development of the Baltic languages

Education

Instruction is in the form of teacher-led classroom lessons, lectures and seminars. The form and scope of the instruction may be adapted to the number of students studying the course.

Forms of examination

a. The following methods of examination are used: written tests, oral tests, obligatory attendance, and written and oral examination in connection with classroom instruction.

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b. Grades are given according to a criterion referenced seven-point scale: A=Excellent, B=Very Good, C=Good, D=Satisfactory, E=Adequate, Fx=Insufficient, F=Fail.

c. The grading criteria for this course are to be distributed at the beginning of the course.

d. A grade of at least E on all modules is required in order to obtain a grade for the whole course.

e. In order to obtain at least a grade of E, a student who has received an F or Fx has the right to an additional four tests provided the course is still offered. A student who has received a grade of E or higher may not take the test again in order to get a higher grade. A student who has received the grade of Fx or F twice on a given test and by the same examiner can, on application, be granted a new examiner, unless there are specific reasons against it. The application should be addressed to the board of the department.

Interim

When the course is no longer offered or its contents have been essentially revised, the student has the right to be examined according to this course syllabus once per semester for a three-semester period. However, the restrictions above under "Forms of examination" point e still hold. For information about transitional rules for courses in the older pre-Bologna system the student counsellor or director studies at the department should be contacted.

Limitations

The course cannot be included in a higher degree together with other approved courses attended domestically or abroad, whose content wholly or partially is congruent with the contents of this course.

Required reading

General part:

Algirdas Sabaliauskas: *Vi som är balter*. Vilnius 2005.

Janis Endzelins: *Comparative Phonology and Morphology of the Baltic Languages*. Mouton, The Hague 1971.

Zigmas Zinkevicius: *The History of the Lithuanian Language*. Vilnius 1996.

Material handed out in class.

Extra literature:

Christian S. Stang: *Vergleichende Grammatik der Baltischen Sprachen*. Universitetsforlaget, Oslo 1966.

Elective part:

A number of articles/texts chosen in cooperation with the examiner and students.