Syllabus
for course at advanced level

Linguistic Typology
Språktypologi

7.5 Higher Education Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	LIM005
Valid from:	Autumn 2011
Date of approval:	2011-04-12
Department	Department of Linguistics
Main field:	Linguistics
Specialisation:	A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus has been approved by the Board of the Department of Linguistics on April 12, 2011.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Admitted to The Master's Programme in Language Science at the Faculty of Humanities, or General Linguistics - Bachelor's course, 30 ECTS credits, Phonetics - Bachelor's course, 30 ECTS credits or Computational Linguistics - Bachelor's course, 30 ECTS credits. Swedish upper secondary school course English B or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
0050	Linguistic Typology	7.5

Course content

This course acquaints the student with classical and modern linguistic typology, the study of human language in which cross-linguistic comparisons are central. The course also provides a broad introduction to current topics in the field and practical experience in data collection and analysis in typological research.

Learning outcomes

Having completed the course the student has demonstrated an ability to
- discuss and analyze fundamental typological questions
- practically apply typological methods of data collection and analysis, on both unfamiliar linguistic data and to see familiar data in a new light
- review, discuss and present research papers in the field of linguistic typology
- integrate knowledge and analyze, assess and handle complex phenomena and questions in the field of linguistic typology.

Education

Instruction is given in the form of lectures, group discussions and presentations.

Forms of examination

a) The following methods of examination are used: i) hand-in assignments; ii) written and oral presentations.

b) Grades are given according to a criterion referenced seven-point scale:

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

c) The grading criteria for this course will be distributed at the beginning of the course.

d) A grade of at least E on all parts and any course requirements completed is required in order to obtain a grade for the whole course. Examination submitted/completed late may affect the grade.

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 is near a passing grade, i.e. has received the grade Fx, can by the examiner instead of a re-examination be given the opportunity to supplement the examination. In such cases, the examiner will determine the additional tasks the student needs to perform.

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 F or Fx 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 still hold.

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
(may be subject to change due to availability)

Croft, W. 2003 (2 ed.). Typology and Universals. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. 341 p.

Additional literature of up to 150 pages may be added according to the teacher's instructions.

Reference works
The Oxford Handbook of Linguistic Typology. 2011 Song, J. J. (ed.) Oxford: Oxford University Press.

The World Atlas of Language Structures Online. Electronically available at: www.wals.info