

Syllabus

for course at first level

Swedish for International Students and Researchers, Course 4
Svenska för internationella studenter och forskare, kurs 4

9.0 Higher Education
Credits
9.0 ECTS credits

Course code:	NS0004
Valid from:	Autumn 2018
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Changed:	2018-07-31
Department	The Department of Swedish Language and Multilingualism
Main field:	Scandinavian Languages
Specialisation:	G1F - First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus was adopted by the Faculty Board of Humanities 2013-10-02. Technical revision by Student Services on 2018-07-31.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

The entry requirements for this course is a Pass grade on Swedish for International Students and Researchers, course 3, or equivalent prior knowledge shown in a Placement test.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
0004	Course 4	9

Course content

The course is aimed at international students and researchers at Stockholm University who need to be able to communicate in Swedish, and want to improve their oral and written skills and ability to express themselves. Students practice their abilities to narrate, describe, discuss, give presentations and produce written assignments. The course practices oral communication in everyday situations and the production of basic coherent texts about familiar topics or personal interests, where the student can account for personal experiences, events, dreams, hopes and objectives, as well as motivate and explain opinions and plans in brief. During the course the student will practice applying the basic rules of grammar, pronunciation and spelling of the standard language.

Learning outcomes

In order to pass the course, students are expected to be able to:

- re-tell and comment on the main topics in selected texts from the press and fiction, as well as in hearing programs from teaching materials that deal with everyday topics and current social issues.
- write simple, coherent texts on well-known subjects, personal interests, experiences, events and opinions.

Education

Instruction is given in the form of seminars with exercises in practical Swedish. Students practice their oral and written skills through discussions, oral presentations and essays. In addition, the course includes

pronunciation training, practical exercises in grammar and vocabulary based on the course literature containing Swedish non-fiction and modern Swedish literature. Oral presentations, group discussions and written assignments are mandatory elements of the course.

Forms of examination

- a. The course is examined on the basis of a written examination and a final oral examination in the form of a group conversation.
- b. Grades will be set according to a two-point scale:
U=Fail
G=Pass
- c. Students will be informed of the written grading criteria when the course starts.
- d. In order to pass the course, students must receive a Pass grade on the oral presentation and the written examination, as well as completed mandatory assignments within the time-span of the course. Under special circumstances, the examiner may, after consulting with coordinating teacher, grant the student an exemption from the obligation to participate in certain mandatory course elements. The student can then be assigned a compensatory assignment.
- e. Students who receive the Pass grade may not retake the examination to attain a higher grade. Students who receive the Fail grade twice by the same examiner are entitled to have another examiner appointed for the next examination, unless there are special reasons to the contrary. Such requests should be made to the department board.
- f. This course does not include any opportunities to complete a supplementary assignment in order to convert a Fail grade into a Pass grade.

Interim

When the syllabus is discontinued or significantly altered, students have the right to be examined according to this syllabus once per semester during a transition period of three semesters. However, restrictions noted under e. above apply. Such requests should be made to the department board.

Limitations

This course may not be included in a degree at Stockholm University, either as a main field of study or as additional studies.

Required reading

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