Syllabus
for course at advanced level
Language and Education in an International Perspective
Språk och utbildning i ett internationellt perspektiv

7.5 Higher Education
Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code: PEA472
Valid from: Autumn 2019
Date of approval: 2018-12-03
Department: Department of Education
Main field: Education
Specialisation: A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision
Syllabus approved by the Head of Department after preparations made by Syllabus and Program Working Group at the department of Education.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements
A degree within the Social Sciences or the Humanities or a Teacher certificate corresponding to at least 180 higher education credits. English level 6 or equivalent.

Course structure

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Course content
The course deals with theories and policies related to how education in languages and literacy are organized in different countries and in different contexts. Current theories and policies within mother tongue education, second language education, education in foreign languages, education in minority languages and comprehensive reading and writing instruction are discussed in an international and comparative perspective.

Learning outcomes
To pass the course the student should be able to:
- account for knowledge about current theories and policies within the area of language, language policy, literacy and education in an international and comparative perspective,
- critically analyze education policies about education in languages and literacy in different countries and in different context and how instruction in languages and literacy is organized in different countries and in different contexts,
- critically analyze the role of education to develop individuals’ language and reading and writing skills.

Education
The course contains compulsory instruction which combines lectures, workshops, discussions and group work to achieve the learning outcomes. Included in the course is compulsory presentation of students own examination as well as critical review of another student’s examination task. Students are required to attend 80% of the compulsory course sessions. Student absences of more than 20% of the course sessions must be compensated via additional course assignments.
Forms of examination
The course is examined through individual written assignment.

Beyond a written assignment students must have attended at least 80% of all compulsory course sessions. Students with more than 40% absence from the compulsory course session must retake the course. For further information see the course description.

Student achievement is graded according to a seven grade, criteria referenced scale:
Passing grades (in descending order)
A = Excellent
B = Very Good
C = Good
D = Satisfactory
E = Sufficient
Failing Grades
Fx = Fail, some more work needs to be done
F = Fail, major work needs to be done

The grading criteria for the course is presented in the course description.

To pass the course at least an E grade is required on the written assignment as well as completed opposition.

F and Fx are failing grades. An F grade requires submitting a new examination task, for an Fx grade revisions need to be made within two weeks of receiving the revisions from the examiner, otherwise the student must conduct a new examination task.

Examination tasks which are not submitted by the deadline stated in the course description will not be assessed.

At least two examinations must be offered for each course occasion.

A student who has already received the grade E at the exam may not re-take the exam to achieve a higher grade.

A student who has received a failing grade after submitting two new examination tasks for a course or part of a course, has the right to be assigned a new examiner, unless circumstances do not allow. Such requests should be made to the department board/ head of department.

Interim
When a course is no longer offered, students may, once per term, for a period of three terms, be examined according to this syllabus.

Misc
The course is given in English

Required reading
Course literature is decided, and made available two months before the course begins, on the departmental website www.edu.su.se