

Syllabus

for course at first level

Postcolonialism and power relations in the Caribbean
Postkolonialism och maktrelationer i Karibien

**7.5 Higher Education
Credits**
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	LA4410
Valid from:	Autumn 2020
Date of approval:	2020-02-12
Department	Department of Romance Studies and Classics
Main field:	Latin America Studies
Specialisation:	G2F - First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

The course was established by the Faculty Board of the Faculty of Humanities on 12/02/2020 and the course syllabus is adopted by the Department of Romance Studies and Classics' Department Board on 12/02/2020.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Latin American Studies II, 30 ECTS or French II, 30 ECTS or Spanish II, 30 ECTS or English II, 30 ECTS or equivalent. Swedish upper secondary school course English B/English 6 or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
4410	Postcolonialism and power relations in the Caribbean	7.5

Course content

The course deals with the history of the Caribbean, power relationships, trade, society, culture, thought traditions, literature and the regional influence of the major powers. During the course, a number of philosophical expressions from the Caribbean area are analysed. We will take up issues of identity, religion, subordination and postcolonial thinking. Historical themes, as well as contemporary literature and politics, will be dealt with. The course will also deal with the Caribbean based on its most important linguistic and cultural areas, the Spanish, English and French.

Learning outcomes

To pass the course, the student must be able to:

- describe and discuss a selection of basic texts in the Caribbean cultural sphere;
- discuss and evaluate how power relations have affected Caribbean history;
- independently apply a selection of postcolonial concepts and methods to cultural productions that affect the Caribbean.

Education

The form of instruction is seminars.

The course is given in English.

For more detailed information, see the course description. The course description is available at the latest one

month before the course start.

Forms of examination

a) The attainment of the Intended learning outcomes for the course is assessed via: an oral report and a written paper to be turned in.

The principles for weighting the individual examination elements are set out in the grading criteria. The examination takes place in English.

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b) The determination of grades takes place according to a seven-point goal-related grading scale:

A = Excellent

B = Very Good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Adequate Fx= Insufficient

F = Completely inadequate

c) The written grading criteria are communicated to students when the course begins. The announced grading criteria related to the learning objectives are binding.

d) In order to receive a passing grade for the final grade for the course, it is required that the lowest grade on all examination assignments is an E. Degree assignments not submitted on time are assessed with the highest grade D.

The letter grades A-E are converted into the numbers 5-1 and are aggregated into an average grade where the number of credits that each part of the course consists of the entire number of points for the course is weighed. The grade for the entire course is thus set by a weighted average of the various parts of the course. The usual rounding rules are applied.

e) For each time the course is given, at least two examination sessions will be offered. For academic years where the course is not offered, at least one examination session will be offered.

A student who has received the grade F or Fx on their examination twice in a row by the same examiner have the right to have another examiner at the next examination, unless special reasons argue against this. The request for this is to be made to the Department Board.

Students who have received the lowest grade E may not undergo a re-examination for higher grades.

f) Supplementation in the event of a Fx grade can be granted if the student is close to the threshold for passing. The information shall be submitted within one week of the completion needs of the examiner.

With approved supplementation of minor formal mistakes, the grades A-E are used. With approved supplementation, deficiencies of an understanding character – minor misunderstandings, minor errors or in any part an overly limited reasoning – the grade E is used.

Interim

Once the course plan is rescinded, the student will have the right to receive an examination once per term according to the present syllabus during a winding-up period of three terms.

Limitations

The course may not be credited in the degree at the same time as such within or outside the country and approved course, the content of which is in whole or in part consistent with the content of the course.

Required reading

For current course literature, please refer to the department's website on www.su.se/romklass. The current literature list will be made available no later than two months before the start of the course.