

Syllabus

for course at first level

Russia yesterday and today
Ryssland igår och idag

7.5 Higher Education
Credits
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	SLRIOI
Valid from:	Autumn 2007
Date of approval:	2007-06-15
Department	Department of Slavic and Baltic Studies Finnish Dutch and German
Subject	Country Knowledge/Country Studies
Specialisation:	G1N - First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus was approved by the Board of the Slavic Department on June 15, 2007.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Basic eligibility.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
1000	Russia Yesterday and Today	7.5

Course content

The course offers a comprehensive introduction to Russia's (including the Soviet Union's) history, history of ideas and social structure as well as the development of the Russian language and its position amongst the other Slavonic languages. Selected questions about Russian literary history are also introduced. The course is useful for anyone interested in the development in Russia, for journalists, teachers, lawyers, economists, librarians, researchers in other fields.

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student is expected to;

- have a good understanding of the historical processes which have led to the Russia of today and of the current development in the country.
- be able to place the Russian language amongst other European languages.
- be familiar with the development of the country's cultural history.
- be familiar with certain questions about Russian literary history.
- be able to relate the course to their own particular subject field.

Education

Instruction is given in the form lectures. The form and extent of the training may be adjusted according to the number of students in the course as well as to the economic situation of the Department.

Forms of examination

- a. Assessment is based on compulsory attendance at lectures/exams alternatively take-home exam.
- 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 assessment criteria for the course will be distributed at the beginning of the course.
d. 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 not discontinued. 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.

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. The contents of this course overlap with those of Unit 3. "Russian geography, history and society" within "Russian I" to the extent of 5 credits.

Required reading

Nationalencyklopedin, Ryska Federationen.
Hosking, G., Russia and the Russians. A history. 2001
Bodin, P-A., Ryssland och Europa. En kulturhistorisk studie. 2006
Bodin, P-a., Ryssland och arvet från Bysans. (Kompendium)
Persson, G., Gulag. 2005
Persson, G., Varför föll Sovjetunionen? 2006
Dostojevskij, Fjodor, Anteckningar från källarhålet. Översättning Ulla Roseen, Stockholm 1985
Tjechov, Anton, Damen med hunden, t ex: Damen med hunden och andra noveller, Höganäs 1986
Kompendium med litteraturvetenskapliga texter
Gyllin, R., Svanberg, I., Slaviska folk och språk, 2000
Additional material as instructed by the teacher.