

Department of Slavic and Baltic Studies, Finnish, Dutch and German

Syllabus

for course at first level Poland Yesterday and Today Polen igår och idag

7.5 Higher Education Credits 7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:SLPIOIValid from:Autumn 2007Date 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 codeNameHigher Education Credits1000Poland Yesterday and Today7.5

Course content

The course offers a basic knowledge of Poland's history, history of ideas and social structure as well as of the development of the Polish language and its position amongst the other Slavonic languages. The course is useful for all those interested in the development in Poland, for journalists, teachers, lawyers, economists, librarians and researchers in other fields.

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

- have a good understanding of the historical processes which have led to the Poland of today and of the current development in the country.
- be familiar with the development of Poland's culture.
- be able to place the Polish language amongst other European languages.
- be familiar with the geography of the country.

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. "Polish geography, history and society" within "Polish I" to the extent of 5 credits.

Required reading

Davies, N., Heart of Europe. Oxford, 1986 el. senare. (In Polish: Davies, Norman. Boze igrzysko. Krakow, 1992.)

Michnik, A., En lektion i värdighet. Essäer från det polska motståndet 1973-1988. Stockholm, 1988. Milosz, C., Mitt Europa. Uppsala, 1981.

PIOI. Kompendium, by Kazimiera Ingdahl.

Swiecicki, J., Att försona polacker och tyskar. En uppgift för det utvidgade EU. Världspolitikens dagsfrågor 4. Stockholm (Utrikespolitiska Institutet), 2004.

Törnquist-Plewa, B., "The Jedwabne Killings – A Challenge for Polish Collectiv Memory". Echoes of the Holocaust.

Historical Cultures in Centemporary Europa. Ed. Klas-Göran Karlsson & Ulf Zander. Stockholm, 2003 Additional material as instructed by the teacher.