Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies

Stockholm University

Syllabus

for course at first level

The Viking Age in Northern Europe and along the Eastern Routes **7.5 Higher Education Credits**

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Course code:	ARA101
Valid from:	Autumn 2019
Date of approval:	2007-09-30
Changed:	2010-02-25
Department	Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies
Main field:	Archaeology
Specialisation:	G1N - First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Decision

This course syllabus was set by the department board for Archaeology and Classical Studies 2007-09-30.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Swedish upper secondary school course English B, or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
1000	The Viking Age	7.5

Course content

The aim of the course is to provide a survey of the Scandinavian Viking Age, c. AD 800–1100. A variety of topics will be discussed including economic development (urbanization, changes in trade and crafts), the formation of the Scandinavian kingdoms, paganism and early Christianity, as well as language and the runic script. The long-distance journeys of the period will be considered taking as an example the eastern journeys characteristic of Sweden. Lectures will be given by archaeologists, numismatists, philologists and historians of religion.

Learning outcomes

Having completed the course the student has demonstrated an ability to:
- Give an account of the main developments of the Scandinavian Viking Age.
- Critically evaluate the available source material.

Education

The teaching is in the form of lectures, a museum visit, and a one day excursion. The format of the teaching may be changed.

Forms of examination

a) The methods of examination are: Obligatory attendance, individual assignments to be completed, and a take-home exam to be graded.
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 grading criteria for this course are to be distributed at the beginning of the course.
d) A grade of at least E is required in order to obtain a grade for the course.
e) In order to obtain at least a grade of E, a student who has received F or Fx has the right to additional four tests provided the course is still offered. 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 Fx or F twice on a given test 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.

Interim

When the course is no longer offered or its contents have been essentially revised, the student has the right to be examined according to this course syllabus once per semester for a three-semester period. However, the restrictions above still hold.

Limitations

This course cannot be included in a degree together with a passed course, within the country or abroad, in which the content fully or partly overlaps with that of this course.

Required reading

To be chosen by the examiner and, for individual assignments, by the student consulting the teacher.