

Syllabus: Swedish Language, advanced

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Office hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 2 pm – 4 pm, Tuesday and Thursday 10 am – noon

Learning outcomes

The course is available for students with a strong background in Swedish. The aim is to raise the student's level of oral and/or written proficiency in Swedish. The main learning outcomes of this course are for the student to learn to...

... interact with a high degree of fluency and spontaneity, using strategies to continue speaking Swedish even when lacking a certain word

... understand the main ideas of complex texts such as novels or newspaper articles

... write a detailed text on a higher level, such as explaining a viewpoint or describing a more complex issue, using Swedish grammar in a generally correct way

Content

The course contains the following: reading and listening comprehension, descriptive grammar, semantics, written and oral practice, pronunciation. The course is adjusted to the individual student's language skills and needs. Therefore, the course literature, readings and assignments will vary. The content is based on the course literature as well as novels, articles, poems, songs, movies, study visits and other activities related to Swedish culture and everyday life. The student is also expected to participate in a few classes of Swedish 1 and 2 as a teacher's assistant.

Participation and grading

Attendance is mandatory as well as active participation. In case of an absence due to illness or emergency, the instructor must be informed as soon as possible. Please arrive on time to class, bring your books and complete your homework assignments. Failing to fulfill those expectations will lower your final grade. The final grade is based on the following:

- Written assignments (3): 20 %
- Written mid-term exam: 25 %
- Class participation, oral presentations: 25 %
- Written final exam: 30 %

Examination dates are October 5 and December 4.

Literature

Rivstart B1 + B2, Paula Levy Scherrer and Karl Lindemalm, Natur & Kultur, Stockholm 2015 (textbook and exercise book)

www.ord.se (online dictionary)

Quizlet app

Handouts

One or two novels of your choice: Backman, F: *En man som heter Ove*; Gripe, M: *Tordyveln flyger i skymningen*; Jonasson, J: *Hundraåringen som klev ut genom fönstret och försvann*; Jägerfeld, J: *Här ligger jag och blöder*

COURSE OUTLINE

Period 1: August 27 – October 5.

16,5 class hours + 1,5 hour written mid-term exam, October 5 (Friday).

Week	Dates	Content
1	Aug 27 – 31	TBA
2	Sep 3 – 7	TBA
3	Sep 10 – 14	TBA
4	Sep 17 – 19	TBA
5	Sep 24 – 28	TBA
6	Oct 1 – 5	Mid-term exam (Friday)

Period 2: October 15 – November 30.

18 class hours + 3 hours written exam, December 4 (Tuesday)

Week	Dates	Content
7	Oct 8 – 12	TBA
8	Oct 15 – 19	TBA
9	Oct 22 – 26	TBA
	<i>Fall break</i>	
10	Nov 12 – 16	TBA
11	Nov 19 – 23	TBA
12	Nov 26 – 30	TBA
13	Dec 4	Final exam (Tuesday)