



THE SWEDISH PROGRAM

LIBERAL ARTS @ STOCKHOLM SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

SYLLABUS SWEDISH II Intermediate Level

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Class times: Mondays and Wednesdays.

Learning outcomes

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

- ... understand spoken Swedish when the speaker is speaking slowly and clearly about a familiar topic
- ... speak spontaneously about familiar topics and pronounce in a generally appropriate way
- ... understand a written text when the content is familiar
- ... write a text about a familiar topic using basic Swedish grammar in a generally correct way
- ... use communication strategies such as rephrasing, asking for clarification, and simplifying language to overcome difficulties.
- ... show awareness of Swedish culture and everyday life by recognizing common traditions, social norms, and cultural references in familiar contexts.

Content

The course contains the following: reading and listening comprehension, pronunciation, descriptive grammar, semantics, written and oral practice.

The course is adjusted to the individual student's language skills and needs. Therefore, the course literature, readings and assignments might vary between students and change during the semester. The content is based on the course literature as well as songs, games, study visits and other activities related to Swedish culture and everyday life.

Attendance

Regular attendance is mandatory. An unexcused absence may negatively affect your final grade. Your grade will not be affected if you miss a class due to illness or in the case of a (documented) emergency situation. If you have a personal or family event that conflicts with a class and cannot be re-scheduled, you may ask your instructor for an excused absence. Such a request should be made at least one week prior to the class in question.

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Academic dishonesty

Any form of academic dishonesty is a violation of our code of conduct and will result in disciplinary actions. Plagiarism or other forms of cheating will result in an automatic F for the assignment, and may also result in an immediate F for the course as a whole, based on the assessment of the Director of Studies and the Executive Director. If you want to use AI to assist your writing, you must adhere to the following guidelines: AI-assisted writing is permissible as long as its use is properly documented and does not substitute for students' doing the actual writing work. For all written take-home assignments, students who have used AI to assist them are required to submit a summary describing how they have used AI to help them complete the assignment (producing text, proofreading, finding citations, etc). In addition, students also have to clearly indicate which passages have been produced or assisted by AI, for example in a footnote that details how AI was used in that particular instance. Failure to acknowledge one's use of AI to complete an assignment will count as academic dishonesty and be subject to the same penalties as outright plagiarism or other forms of cheating.

Exams

Exams must be taken at the date and time specified in the syllabus. For a midterm exam, if you are unable to take the exam at the scheduled time, you must reschedule the exam with your instructor's permission before that time. If you need to reschedule a final exam, you must first contact the Head of Administration, who will then contact your instructor to find an alternative date and time for the exam.

No outside materials or devices, including notes, phones, and computers, are allowed during the exam unless explicitly permitted by the instructor. Anyone caught using a device or consulting outside materials during the exam will automatically fail the exam. No one is allowed into the classroom once the exam itself has commenced. A student who

arrives late for an exam will be permitted to take a make-up exam at a later time only if the instructor deems that the student had a valid reason for being late.

Late assignments

Assignments that are submitted after the deadline and without prior agreement will be marked down. The late penalty will be progressively more severe the later the assignment is submitted.

Grading:

The final grade is based on the following:

- General course work, attendance, active participation and homework assignments 30%
- Midterm test 20%
- Final test 50%

Your general course work will be assessed throughout the semester and will constitute 30 % of your final grade. Please arrive on time to class, bring your books, complete your homework assignments and participate actively in class. The rest of the grade will be based on your results on the two exams, which will include reading comprehension, listening comprehension, vocabulary, grammar and (for the final exam) written and oral production.

Literature

Rivstart A1/A2 (Main course book)

“Fokus på Sverige”

Radio Sweden “På lätt Svenska”

“På svenska 1” Lärobok, Ulla Göransson & Mai Parada, Folkuniversitetets förlag Stockholm 2019

www.ord.se (online dictionary) and other online resources

Utbildningsradion, UR Play, “Här kommer Amira”, several episodes

Apps:, SVT Språkplay

Handouts

Programs on SVT Play

Film

En man som heter Ove, SVT Play

Vinterviken