

Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology

# ENGC07, Reading and Writing in a Second Language: Connections, Theory and Practice , 7.5 credits

Att lära sig läsa och skriva på ett andraspråk - teori och praktik i samverkan, 7,5 högskolepoäng First Cycle / Grundnivå

# Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2023-12-12 (U 2023/1012). The syllabus comes into effect 2024-03-01 and is valid from the autumn semester 2024.

## General information

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can normally be included as part of a first or second cycle degree. The course is particularly suitable for future English teachers and in-service English teachers in upper-secondary school.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of Specialisation study

English G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

### Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the students are to be able to

#### Knowledge and understanding

- provide a basic account for similarities and differences in the development of reading and writing skills from the perspectives of first and second langauge acquisition
- account for different pedagogical approaches for the teaching and learning of English as a second language reading and writing skills
- provide a basic account of the theoretical concepts addressed in the course

#### Competence and skills

- discuss, both orally and in writing, different theoretical models of reading and writing in a second language
- discuss and analyse connections between reading and writing from the perspectives of first and language acquisition, with a focus of the interrelationship between first and second language acquisition processes

#### Judgement and approach

- critically reflect on their knowledge and experiences, as well as those of others, with respect to reading and writing
- identify their own need of further knowledge and expertise

#### Course content

This course discusses different theoretical models of reading and writing and their application in English second language acquisition. The course addresses the teaching and learning of these two skills with a focus on the interrelationship between first and second language acquisition. The course covers a range of cognitive and the social dimensions imortant for the development of reading and writing skills in English as a second language.

### Course design

The course is offered entirely as a distance learning course using an online learning platform and/or digital tools. Participants are required to participate under these conditions, and to have access to a computer with an internet connection as well as functioning speakers, microphone and a web camera. The department will provide information about the technical requirements.

The course is based on active participation, discussion and reflection. The teaching consists of 6-8 scheduled teaching sessions (at distance) consisting of lecture components, teacher-supervised discussions and group discussions. As a part of their learning, the participants write short texts during the course and obtain formative feedback on these.

#### Assessment

The course is examined through active participation in the lectures, through 3-4 independently written assignments (each approximately 300-500 words) and through a final indpendent written assignment (approximately 1200-1500 words).

If the student does not complete the course with a Pass grade, an opportunity to resit the examination in accordance with the regulatory framework of the faculty is given. The examiner may deviate from the regular form of examination if it cannot be implemented during a retake. Information about retakes should be available at the beginning of the course.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

# Grades

Grading scale includes the grades: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction Participants are awarded a maximum of 100 points, divided across the assessment tasks. To pass the course, at least 67 out of these 100 points are required, and to pass with distinction 85 points are required.

### Entry requirements

Admission to the course requires at least 60 credits in completed first-cycle courses.

### Further information

- The course is offered at the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
- The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree.