

FRAA21, French: Level 1, 30 credits

Franska: Grundkurs, 30 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 2023-12-04 (U 2023/947). The syllabus comes into effect 2024-03-01 and is valid from the autumn semester 2024.

General information

The course is given as a freestanding course. It can normally be included in a general qualification for both first and second-cycle studies.

Language of instruction: Swedish and French

Main field of study

Specialisation

French

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, students shall be able to

Knowledge and understanding

- describe the main features of the development of French
- provide a general description of the global socio-cultural status of French
- describe the fundamental features of French literary history
- demonstrate basic knowledge of French society
- apply basic terminology to the analysis of literary texts,
- use basic terminology for the analysis of the structure of language (grammar)

Competence and skills

- understand spoken standard French on fairly familiar topics
- independently read simple texts in French with the aid of bilingual dictionaries and contrastive grammars,
- independently write texts in French at a lexical and grammatical level that does not generally impede understanding
- independently prepare and execute oral presentations in French at a lexical and grammatical level and with a pronunciation that does not generally impede understanding
- discuss issues in the course content in French, at a lexical and grammatical level and with a pronunciation that does not cause major comprehension problems,
- analyse and compare the structure, themes, style and context of different types of texts and produce different types of texts in French,
- apply basic French grammar and vocabulary from a contrastive perspective (Swedish/French),
- identify and use relevant and reliable French-speaking sources of information with assistance

Judgement and approach

- take a critical position on source material and acquired knowledge
- take a position on the ethical aspects of the scholarly approach

Course content

The course is a basic course in French, providing both spoken and written proficiency training, as well as general knowledge of the French language, French society and French literature. In addition to text study, the teaching includes computer-based exercises, film and other media.

The course consists of the following modules:

1. Oral language proficiency and the French society, 7 credits,
2. Written Proficiency, 7 credits,
3. French Language and Grammar, 6 credits,
4. French Literature and Literary Analysis, 7 credits,
5. History of French Language and Literature, 3 credits.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and group exercises. It is compulsory for students to attend at least 80% of the lectures and exercises. If, due to circumstances beyond their control, such as accidents, sudden illness or similar, students are unable to carry out a compulsory component, the University is responsible for ensuring that an equivalent alternative or another time for the component is offered. This also applies to students participating in activities in an elected position as a student representative.

Assessment

Module 1: Oral language proficiency and French society: Oral exam

Module 2: Written Proficiency: 3-5 compulsory written assignments

Module 3: French Language and Grammar: Written exam

Module 4: French Literature and Literary Analysis: Written exam

Module 5: History of French Language and Literature: Written exam

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

For the grade of pass on the whole course, the student must have been awarded this grade for all modules. For a grade of Pass with Distinction on the whole course, the student must have been awarded this grade on 20 of the available credits, of which 14 credits must be from modules 1 and 2 in written and oral proficiency.

Entry requirements

General requirements and studies equivalent of course French 3 from Swedish Upper Secondary School.

Further information

- The course is offered at the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
- This course replaces the course FRAA11, French, general course, 1–30 credits.
- The number of credits allocated for course content that is shared in whole or in part with another course can only be credited once for a degree.
- For further details, see current registration and information materials.
- Module names in Swedish:

1. Muntlig språkfärdighet och det franska samhället, 7 hp
2. Skriftlig språkfärdighet, 7 hp
3. Franska språket och grammatik, 6 hp
4. Franska litteraturen och litterär analys, 7 hp
5. Fransk språk- och litteraturhistoria, 3 hp