



LUND
UNIVERSITY

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

LINB01, Linguistics: Speech Communication - The Basics of Phonetics, 7.5 credits

*Lingvistik: Talkommunikation - fonetikens grunder, 7,5
högskolepoäng*
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2007-03-30 to be valid from 2007-03-30, autumn semester 2007.

General Information

The course is offered as a single course. It can normally be included as part of a general degree at the undergraduate or graduate levels. With the approval of the relevant authenticating body, it can also be included in certain professional degrees.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Linguistics with specialization in
Phonetics

Linguistics with specialization in General
Linguistics

*Depth of study relative to the degree
requirements*

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary
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Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

- be able to describe the structure of the speech apparatus e.g. its similarities and differences between women and men) and its function with regard to variation in the speech signal
- be able to give an account of basic phonological theory and the main types of sound change

- be able to describe the most important vowel and consonant categories
- be able to give an account of vowel and consonant phonemes and distinctive prosodic units in the Swedish language and their main allophonic variation, e.g., geographical variation
- be able to describe the main means of articulation.

Competence and skills

- be able to use symbols and definitions of the main vowel, consonant and prosodic phenomena and be able to use phonetic transcription, especially for Swedish utterances
- be able to interpret basic types of sound on a spectrogram.

Course content

The course covers, among other things, the structure of the speech apparatus and how sound is produced, how the speaker can control the intensity of sounds, their pitch and all their other properties – i.e. those that are used to distinguish between all the types of sound available in a language. Listening to sounds and sound differences is practised as is the systematic notation of these (i.e. phonetic transcription) and the differentiation of various basic acoustic differences in sound (spectrogram reading). Some important variations in the regional pronunciation of Swedish are studied. Other aspects that are studied are the voice and how speech is affected by various types of speech disorders.

Course design

Teaching consists of lectures, transcription exercises and obligatory laboratory sessions.

Assessment

Examination takes the form of an invigilated examination.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

Entry requirements

General requirements and studies equivalent of course English 6 from Swedish Upper Secondary School.

Further information

1. The course replaces FON229.
2. The points allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.
3. This course is also a sub-course in Linguistics Level 1, LINA11. The points can only be credited once for a degree.

Subcourses in LINB01, Linguistics: Speech Communication - The Basics of Phonetics

Applies from H07

0701 Examination, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction