



LUND
UNIVERSITY

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

LINN16, Linguistics: Psycholinguistics, 7.5 credits

Lingvistik: Psykolingvistik, 7,5 högskolepoäng

Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2010-10-25 to be valid from 2010-10-25, spring semester 2011.

General Information

The course is an elective component of the Master of Arts programme in Language and Linguistics. The course is also offered as a free-standing course and can be included as part of a first- or second-cycle degree.

Language of instruction: English

The course can be taught in Swedish if an agreement is reached by both the teacher and the students. Such an agreement would depend on both the lecturer and the students having a good knowledge of Swedish.

Main field of studies

Linguistics with specialization in General Linguistics

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

- be able to account for some of the key theories of psycholinguistic research
- be able to account for different methods of psycholinguistic research
- be able to describe the important subprocesses of the production, perception and acquisition of language
- be able to explain how these subprocesses constitute a model and how this model can be tested experimentally

Competence and skills

- be able to formulate a research issue on the basis of the theories introduced on the course and know how this issue could be investigated in a psycholinguistic experiment
- be able to write a report outlining a proposal for a psycholinguistic study
- be able to conduct a minor psycholinguistic experiment

Judgement and approach

- be able to critically assess an example of published research in psycholinguistics
- be able to critically assess and compare different psycholinguistic theories.

Course content

Psycholinguistics tests different theories of the production, perception and acquisition of language by means of various methods, such as reaction time experiments, brain activity measurements, misarticulation analysis, corpus analysis, etc. This course provides an introduction to these theories and methods. Furthermore, the factors that affect our perception, production and acquisition of a first or second language are studied. The course introduces the principles for conducting and assessing a psycholinguistic experiment and includes an exercise in conducting such an experiment.

Course design

Teaching consists of classes and compulsory laboratory exercises including laboratory reports.

Assessment

Examinations take the form of continuous assignments during lectures and a final written assignment.

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

To be admitted to the course, students must have 60 credits in a language subject, or the equivalent.

Further information

1. 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. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in LINN16, Linguistics: Psycholinguistics

Applies from V11

1001 Linguistics: Psycholinguistics, 7,5 hp
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