



**LUND**  
UNIVERSITY

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

## **LIVA10, Comparative Literature: Level 1 - Online Course, 30 credits**

*Litteraturvetenskap: Nätbaserad grundkurs, 30 högskolepoäng*  
**First Cycle / Grundnivå**

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2008-03-27 to be valid from 2008-03-27, autumn semester 2008.

### **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.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish

*Main field of studies*

Comparative Literature

*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

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

### **Learning outcomes**

On completion of the course the student shall

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- be able to give an account of various theories and methods of Comparative Literature
- be able to give an overview of Western literature and literary history from Antiquity to approximately 1830
- demonstrate a basic knowledge and understanding of the writing of history and the problems associated with historical interpretation.

### **Competence and skills**

- be able to analyse and interpret literary texts
- be able to give an account of the relationship between literature and society
- be able to analyse and interpret the roles and functions of literature from a general cultural perspective
- have acquired a basic scholarly approach to sources and literature, e.g. be able to examine texts critically after receiving instruction
- demonstrate a basic ability to search for, collect and evaluate various types of information and material.

### **Judgement and approach**

- be able to give an account of perspectives on various cultures found in ancient literature
- be able to give an explanation as to why there were few female writers in the period from Antiquity to approximately 1830.

### **Course content**

The course provides the student with a basic perspective on texts and their interpretation. Various textual and literary concepts are also discussed as are theories of interpretation, with the help of the course literature and free writing exercises. A major part of the course is spent examining the main characteristics of literary development up to approximately 1830. Problems associated with the writing of history and its interpretation are also discussed. Particular emphasis is placed on issues relating to the relationship between literature, society and the reader.

The course consists of the following sub-courses:

1. The Reading and Analysis of Literature, 7.5 credits,
2. The History of Literature up to the Renaissance, 7.5 credits,
3. The History of Literature from the Renaissance to approximately 1830, 15 credits.

### **Course design**

The course is a distance education course which utilises interactive information technology. It presupposes that the student has access to a computer with internet connection. The department can provide the student with details concerning technical demands.

### **Assessment**

The following examination forms may occur: written tests at the end of each sub-course, continuous assessment in the form of home assignments, essays and through active participation in on-line discussion groups.

*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.

To be awarded a Pass on the whole course the student shall have passed all sub-courses. To be awarded Pass with Distinction on the whole course the student shall have the grade of Pass with Distinction on at least 15 of the 30 credits in the course, and a grade of pass on all remaining credits.

## **Entry requirements**

General requirements and studies equivalent of the courses History 1b or 1a1+1a2 and Social Studies 1b or 1a1+1a2 from Swedish Upper Secondary School.

## **Further information**

1. The course replaces the first term of LIV040.
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. The course is offered as a part-time course.
4. The sub-course names in Swedish:
  1. Litteraturläsning och litteraturanalys,
  2. Litteraturen och dess historia till renässansen,
  3. Litteraturen och dess historia från renässansen till ca 1830.

## Subcourses in LIVA10, Comparative Literature: Level 1 - Online Course

Applies from H07

- 0701 The Reading and Analysis of Literature, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 0702 Examination, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 0703 Literature and its History between 1600 and 1830, 15,0 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction