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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

## **NODB17, Danish: Children's and Young Adult Literature, 7.5 credits**

*Danska: Barn- och ungdomslitteratur, 7,5 högskolepoäng*  
**First Cycle / Grundnivå**

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2018-09-13 to be valid from 2018-09-13, autumn semester 2018.

### **General Information**

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can normally be included in a first or second-cycle degree.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish and Danish

The course is normally taught by Danish-speaking teachers. Required reading and instructions are in Danish. Students can speak and write in Swedish or Danish.

*Main field of studies*

Danish

*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 students shall be able to

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- account for the main features of the development of children's and young adult literature in Denmark from 1940 onward
- identify and account for the typical genres, themes, motifs and narrative techniques of children's and young adult literature
- account for some key Danish authors of children's and young adult literature
- account for the variable views on children expressed in modern Danish children's and young adult literature

- account for different educational, aesthetic, moral and ideological trends in modern Danish children's and young adult literature

### **Competence and skills**

- use basic analytical tools within literature studies to analyse Danish children's and young adult literature
- analyse genre, themes, motifs and narrative techniques of individual texts
- analyse and compare the representation of identity in different texts

### **Judgement and approach**

- use a scholarly approach to discuss and provide perspectives on how gender, ethnicity and cultural diversity are expressed in contemporary Danish children's and young adult literature.

### **Course content**

On the course, students will study Danish children's and young adult literature from 1940 until the present, focusing on texts of recent years. Some key Danish authors of children's and young adult literature are presented and studied. The students work with texts in different genres in contemporary children's literature, such as picture-books, cartoons, adventure/fantasy, lyric poetry, realism, "raw" social realism and migration literature. Basic tools of literary analysis are used and texts are analysed with regard to genres, themes, motifs and narrative technique as well as in relation to gender, ethnicity, social class and generation, among other aspects. The variable views of children in children's and young adult literature are presented and analysed. Different educational, aesthetic, moral and ideological trends in modern Danish children's and young adult literature are examined and discussed.

### **Course design**

The course usually takes place as independent study with an initial lecture and supervision during the course. However, lectures and seminars may occur.

### **Assessment**

The assessment is based on a final 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.

*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 for university studies in Sweden

## **Further information**

1. The course is offered at the the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
2. The course is also included among elective complementary studies in Danish, Bachelor's degree course.
3. 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.

## Subcourses in NODB17, Danish: Children's and Young Adult Literature

Applies from H18

1801 Danish: Children's and Young Adults Literature, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction