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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

## **SPAK01, Spanish: B. A. Degree Essay, 30 credits** *Spanska: Kandidatkurs, 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 2013-06-17 and was last revised on 2023-06-05 by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology. The revised syllabus applies from 2023-06-05, autumn semester 2023.

### **General Information**

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

*Language of instruction:* Spanish and Swedish

*Main field of studies*

Spanish

*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

G2E, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for BA/BSc

### **Learning outcomes**

On completion of the course, the students shall be able to:

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- provide a nuanced description of methods and concepts in contemporary Spanish literature and linguistics
- account for Spanish-language literary texts
- provide a specialised account of the structure of Spanish
- provide a specialised account of the field studied in the degree project from a linguistic or literary perspective
- account for some current research issues in Spanish literature or linguistics

### **Competence and skills**

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This is a translation of the course syllabus approved in Swedish

- independently summarise, analyse and discuss, in both speech and writing, themes in contemporary Spanish literature and linguistics
- formulate, resolve and report on a research assignment within predetermined time frames, applying some basic scholarly concepts
- search for and compile information from different sources within the field of the degree project,
- use correct and nuanced Spanish adapted to the situation in speech and in writing

### **Judgement and approach**

- adopt a scholarly approach to the subject of Spanish, particularly with regard to ethical issues such as gender and ethnicity
- demonstrate the ability to identify their own need for additional knowledge and to develop their expertise,
- evaluate the role of Spanish as a subject in the general humanist tradition of learning

### **Course content**

The course provides students with specialised knowledge of the language, culture and literature of Spain and Latin America. It includes a scholarly focus on language, culture and literature and addresses research methods. The course concludes with a degree project. Throughout the course, students further practise oral and written language proficiency.

The course consists of the following modules:

1. Hispanic Cultural and Literary Studies, 7.5 credits,
2. Spanish Linguistics, 7.5 credits,
3. Degree Project, 15 credits.

### **Course design**

Teaching consists of lectures, seminars and supervision. Unless there are special circumstances, students must attend at least 80% of the lectures and seminars.

A total of 20 hours will be allocated to each student for supervision, reading and assessment of degree projects.

The opportunity to compensate for or resit compulsory components will be offered to students who have been unable to participate due to circumstances out of their control such as accidents, sudden illness or similar. This also applies to students who have missed teaching sessions because of duties as a student representative. There are otherwise no opportunities to compensate for compulsory components.

### **Assessment**

The assessment of Module 1 is based on 4 written assignments, and through participation in the teaching sessions. A grade of Pass requires active participation at a satisfactory level in at least 80 % of the teaching sessions. The opportunity to compensate takes the form of an oral examination.

The written assignments for Module 1 are to be submitted throughout the module. If any of the written assignments are not submitted, the assessment will be based on a written examination at the end of the course.

The assessment of Module 2 is based on 4 shorter invigilated exams and 1 oral presentation.

The assessment of Module 3 is based on the student's presentation of their independent degree project at a seminar and their critical review of a fellow student's degree project.

It is recommended that degree projects awarded a grade of Pass at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology be registered in the LUP Student Papers database. The student is responsible for ensuring that the version of the degree project that has been assessed and approved is the one uploaded to LUP Student Papers (in PDF format).

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.

For the grade of Pass, the student must have been awarded at least this grade for all modules. For the grade of Pass with Distinction, the student must have been awarded this grade for 22.5 credits on the course.

## Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have passed course SPAA20, Spanish: Level 2, or have equivalent knowledge.

Furthermore, students must have passed Module 4, Spanish Grammar and Exercises, and Module 5, Academic Writing, in SPAA20.

## Further information

- The course is offered at the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
- The course replaces SPA603, Spanish, general course, 41-60 credits.
- Modules 1 and 2 correspond to Modules 1 and 2 in SPAA03 and ÄSPD04.
- 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. Spanskspråkig kultur- och litteraturvetenskap
  2. Spansk språkvvetenskap
  3. Examensarbete

## Subcourses in SPAK01, Spanish: B. A. Degree Essay

Applies from H23

- 2301 Hispanic Cultural and Literary Studies, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 2302 Spanish Linguistics, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 2303 Degree Essay, 15,0 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

Applies from V22

- 2204 The History of Spanish Literature as a Scholarly Discipline, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 2205 Spanish Linguistics as a Scholarly Discipline, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 2206 Degree Essay, 15,0 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction