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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

SVEB13, History of the Swedish Language: Level 2, 7.5 credits *Svenska: Svensk språkhistoria - fortsättningskurs, 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 2007-03-13 to be valid from 2007-03-13, autumn semester 2007.

General Information

Subject: Swedish

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

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Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

- be able to give an account of important works in Swedish from the earliest times onwards and the development of various genres in Swedish
- demonstrate in-depth knowledge and understanding of early Swedish phonetics, morphology, theory of word formation, syntax and style
- be able to describe and characterise concrete language changes in an adequate manner

Competence and skills

- be able to read and interpret simple texts written in runic Swedish
- be able to read, interpret and characterise texts from the era of Old Swedish and onwards
- be able to evaluate material and method in historical linguistics
- be able to date unknown texts with the help of criteria from the various levels of language

Judgement and approach

- be able to reflect on and problematise the internal and external causes of language change.

Course content

The course comprises Swedish history of language and style from the era of runic inscriptions to the present day. It discusses language change and various methods of explaining it. A number of works in historical linguistics that apply various theoretical approaches are studied and discussed with a focus placed on both content and method. The student reads a wide selection of early texts, and develops his/her ability to characterise their language in both a comprehensive and coherent manner.

Course design

The course usually consists of self studies, but lectures and seminars can be scheduled if the student group is sufficient in size.

Assessment

Examinations can take the following forms: take-home examination or a short 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 eligible for the course requires the completion of courses at foundation level, which include Swedish/Nordic History of Language.

Further information

1. The course replaces the Level 3 course "History of the Swedish Language, Advanced course", 5 credits.

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.

Subcourses in SVEB13, History of the Swedish Language: Level 2

Applies from H07

0701 History of the Swedish Language: Level 2, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction