

TYSA21, German: Level 2, 30 credits

Tyska: Fortsättningskurs, 30 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 2007-04-24 and was last revised on 2026-03-06 by The Pro Dean of First and Second Cycle Studies at The Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology (U 2026/117). The revised syllabus comes into effect 2026-03-06 and is valid from the autumn semester 2026.

General information

The course is offered as a single course. It can normally be included as part of a general degree at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Language of instruction: Swedish and German

Main field of study *Specialisation*

German G1F, First cycle, has less than 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 explain German syntax in Swedish, primarily from a contrastive perspective
- be able to give examples in German of different areas of linguistics and their terminology, and explain the connection between them
- be able to demonstrate knowledge of parts of Germany's recent history and cultural conditions in German-speaking countries, in German
- be able to describe in German the main features of the development of German-language literature from the Enlightenment to the early 20th century

Competence and skills

- be able to use the German language in speech and writing with good linguistic ability
- be able to translate a moderately difficult short text from Swedish into German
- be able to discuss selected areas relating to the realia of German-speaking countries with a certain degree of independence in German
- be able to formulate a question within the field of linguistics, literary studies or realia and be able to discuss it briefly in writing in German
- be able to perform basic information searches in the physical and virtual library

Judgement and approach

- on the basis of the knowledge acquired in linguistics, literature and life and institutions, be able to form an opinion on issues relating to gender, ethnicity and cultural diversity.

Course content

The course expands and deepens the study of German syntax from a contrastive perspective in the module Grammar. The module Language Studies provides an insight into basic linguistics and deals with central linguistic concepts. Written language skills are practised through translation exercises into German and through the writing of a short academic essay in the modules Translation and Paper. Oral skills are practised in the module Oral Proficiency including Textual Study and Realia. The module Textual Study including Literary and Cultural History provides an overview of the main features of the development of older German-language literature.

The course consists of the following six modules:

1. Oral Proficiency, including Textual Studies and Life and Institutions, 7.5 credits,
2. Textual Study, including Literary and Cultural History, 7.5 credits,
3. Grammar, 4.5 credits,
4. Language Studies, 3 credits,
5. Paper, 3 credits,
6. Translation, 4.5 credits.

Course design

Teaching takes the form of practical exercises, lectures, seminars and supervision.

Module 1 includes active participation in 6-7 compulsory seminars. Students who are unable to attend a compulsory seminar will be offered an additional seminar at a later date.

Assessment

Module 1 is assessed through an oral exam.

Module 2 is assessed through a written on-campus exam.

Module 3 is assessed through a written on-campus exam.

Module 4 is assessed through a written on-campus exam.

Module 5 is assessed through a written assignment.

Module 2 is assessed through a written on-campus 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.

Grades

Grading scale includes the grades: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

To be awarded a Pass on the whole course the student shall have passed all modules.

To be awarded a grade of Distinction on the whole course the student shall have achieved the grade of Distinction for at least 19.5 higher education credits on the course and the grade of Pass on the remainder of the course.

Entry requirements

General eligibility and German: Level 1 (TYSA01), 30 credits, or the equivalent.

Further information

- The course is offered at the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund university.
- 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.
- The module's names in Swedish:

1. Muntlig språkfärdighet med textstudium och realia,
2. Textstudium med litteratur- och kulturhistoria,
3. Grammatik,
4. Språkkunskap,
5. Uppsats,
6. Översättning.