

## Course Syllabus

### **English: One-Year Master Degree Thesis in Literature 15 Credits\*, Second Cycle Level 1**

#### **Learning Outcomes**

On completion of the course the student will be able to:

- demonstrate an in-depth knowledge of one of the areas of English literature
- demonstrate an advanced knowledge of relevant methodology and theory as well as insights into current research questions in the area or subject
- integrate knowledge and to analyse, evaluate and deal with complex phenomena and questions
- develop a research question and then independently search for, collect, evaluate and critically interpret and analyse relevant information
- conduct an independent literary study of scholarly value, characterized by a clear connection to current research, a competent application of method and theory as well as by a strong argumentative drive based on advanced literary analyses within a limited frame of time
- orally and in writing present and argue for his or her own results as well for the knowledge and argumentation which form the basis for the conclusions, showing a high level of communicative competence
- analyse and discuss the scholarly work of others by pointing out strengths as well as weaknesses in the form of constructive response.

#### **Course Content**

The student carries out an independent literary study of a well-defined problem area directly connected to literature in English. The study is presented in the form of an independently written essay of about 25-30 sidor (7500-9000 words). The course also consists of practice in the oral presentation and defence of the student's own results and arguments, as well as of analyses of other students' work.

#### **Assessment**

The course is mainly examined through the independently written thesis, but the student's ability to give and take constructive criticism during the work-in-progress is also considered in the final assessment.

**Forms of Study**

The course is taught in the form of seminars, workshops, peer reviews and individual supervision. The thesis is finally defended and discussed at a thesis defence seminar. All teaching is conducted in English.

**Grades**

The Swedish grades U–VG.

**Prerequisites**

A Bachelor's degree comprising at least 180 credits with a major (minimum 90 credits) in English  
and  
22,5 credits in English at graduate level with a literary focus  
including the course  
English: Scholarly Writing in Literary Theory and Criticism 7,5 credits graduate level

**Other Information**

Replaces EN3053.

The course was part of the Main field of English until 2015-08-01.

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14-04-03 (Main field added)

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**Subject:**

English

**Group of Subjects:**

English

**Disciplinary Domain:**

Humanities, 100%

**This course can be included in the following main field(s) of study:**

1. Literature in English

**Progression Indicator within (each) main field of study:**

1. A1E



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