

Course Syllabus

The Structure of Modern English 12 Credits*, First Cycle

Learning Outcomes

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

- explain basic language structures of English using grammatical terminology, and compare them with those of other languages, with a special focus on Swedish
- apply their knowledge of English language structure and its variations in their own production in different genres
- independently solve language problems with the help of available resources, such as digital tools
- review and improve texts using their knowledge of English language structure, including regional and stylistic variations
- identify and explain the most common challenges involved in learning English from a contrastive perspective
- apply their knowledge of basic speech production by analysing the sounds of language and intonation patterns using phonetic script as a resource
- compare and contrast popular and scientific views of language, with a special focus on English.

Course Content

The course consists of three modules.

Module 1. Grammar - 7.5 credits

The grammar module deals with the fundamental aspects of English grammar including applied exercises in contrastive analyses of authentic texts that have different kinds of grammatical problems.

Module 2. Phonetics - 1.5 credits

The phonetics module deals with the principles of English pronunciation as well as the main differences between English and Swedish pronunciation. English pronunciation is practiced through the study of phonetic transcription.

Module 3. Exploring Language - 3 credits

The *Exploring Language* module introduces students to basic concepts and terminology in linguistics and deals with how English works in different contexts. Perspectives on language of people in general and linguists are compared.

Assessment

- Active participation in seminars
- Written assignments
- Oral presentations
- An examination

Forms of Study

Lectures and obligatory seminars. The language of instruction is English.

Grades

The Swedish grades U–VG.

For a final course grade of VG, students must achieve a VG for at least 9 credits.

Reporting of grades:

- Grammar - 7.5 cr
- Phonetics - 1.5 cr
- Exploring Language - 3 cr

Prerequisites

General entry requirements and English 6. No knowledge of Swedish is required

Other Information

Replaces EN1086.

Subject:

English

Group of Subjects:

English

Disciplinary Domain:

Humanities, 100%

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

1. English

Progression Indicator within (each) main field of study:

1. G1N

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