

Course Syllabus

German: German Literature and Didactics in Theory and Practice 7.5 Credits*, First Cycle

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, students will have increased their general language skills in German and be able to:

- explain basic literary didactic and theoretical concepts
- plan to incorporate fiction in their teaching in accordance with the curriculums for modern languages
- reflect on the message of fictional texts
- reflect on how children's and young adult literature can be used with the help of digital media in language teaching at different levels and for different age groups
- critically evaluate their own learning.

Course Content

The course focuses on the didactic application of children's and young adult literature in German with emphasis on contemporary fictional texts suitable for teaching in primary and secondary schools. Based on the curriculums, literature in different genres and the way the texts can be applied didactically are discussed. The course assumes a broad concept of literature that may also include for example graphic novels, cartoons, films and audio books. Works are analysed and contextualised based on various didactic issues and on how this can be communicated to young readers. The literary texts are selected based on topics that are timely for young people today and that show aspects of society in German-speaking countries. In addition to fiction, literary didactic texts are also discussed.

Assessment

Examination is continuous and is based on active participation in seminars and written assignments.

Forms of Study

Obligatory seminars. The language of instruction is German.

Grades

The Swedish grades U–VG.

To achieve the grade of VG for the whole course, VG is required in both modules.

Reporting of grades:

Module 1: Seminar 1-4 and Written Assignments - 3.5 cr

Module 2: Seminar 5-8 and Written Assignments - 4 cr

Prerequisites

Field-specific entry requirements 2/A2 (including german) or equivalent knowledge. No knowledge of English is required

Other Information

The course is primarily for future or practising teachers.

Subject:

German

Group of Subjects:

German

Disciplinary Domain:

Humanities, 100%

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

1. German

Progression Indicator within (each) main field of study:

1. G1N

Approved:

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