



# Syllabus

for course at first level

**Latvian II**  
**Lettiska II**

**30.0 Higher Education  
Credits**  
**30.0 ECTS credits**

<b>Course code:</b>	BAL126
<b>Valid from:</b>	Spring 2023
<b>Date of approval:</b>	2013-09-11
<b>Changed:</b>	2022-05-03
<b>Department</b>	Department of Slavic and Baltic Studies Finnish Dutch and German
<b>Main field:</b>	Baltiska språk
<b>Specialisation:</b>	G1F - First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

## Decision

The course syllabus has been confirmed by the board of the Department of Baltic Languages, Finnish and German on September 7, 2010 and revised May 31, 2011 and January 27, 2012.

## Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Basic Course in Latvian, 20 credits, or Latvian I, FC, 30 HEC

## Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
1261	Language knowledge and proficiency C	7.5
1262	Language knowledge and proficiency D	7.5
1263	Text analysis and literature	7.5
3500	Baltic History of Literature and Cultural History - Latvia	7.5

## Course content

The course covers Latvian grammar, language structure, word formation, text analysis, oral and written language proficiency, as well as Baltic and Latvian history of literature and cultural history. The course is useful for all professions and positions where knowledge in or about the Latvian language and Baltic literature and history of culture is necessary or provides a competitive advantage.

The course consists of the following modules:

1. Language knowledge and proficiency C, 7.5 HEC
2. Language knowledge and proficiency D, 7.5 HEC
3. Text analysis and literature, 7.5 HEC
4. Baltic history of literature and cultural history - Latvia, 7.5 HEC

## Learning outcomes

At the end of the course the student will have been able to:

1. Language knowledge and proficiency C, 7.5 HEC
  - acquire intermediate knowledge about the structure of the Latvian language
  - make use of an extended basic vocabulary in Latvian
2. Language knowledge and proficiency D, 7.5 HEC
  - explain, identify, and use more complex structures in Latvian morphology, word formation and syntax

- express oneself in standard Latvian, both orally and in writing
- 3. Text analysis and literature, 7.5 HEC
  - understand and review elementary Latvian texts pertaining to everyday life and society
  - understand and review elementary Latvian fiction texts
- 4. Baltic history of literature and cultural history - Latvia (See separate syllabus)

### Education

Instruction is in the form of lectures and seminars. For more detailed information, please see the course description.

### Forms of examination

a. The following methods of examination are used: written tests, oral tests, and listening comprehension tests.

Examinations:

1. Language knowledge and proficiency C, 7.5 HEC

a) classroom test and b) conversation with the examiner and listening comprehension test

2. Language knowledge and proficiency D, 7.5 HEC

a) classroom test and b) conversation with the examiner and listening comprehension test

3. Text analysis and literature, 7.5 HEC

a) classroom test and b) oral presentations during seminars

4. Baltic history of literature and cultural history - Latvia (See separate syllabus)

b. Grades are given according to a criterion referenced seven-point scale: A=Excellent, B=Very Good, C=Good, D=Satisfactory, E=Adequate, Fx=Insufficient, F=Fail.

c. The grading criteria for this course are to be distributed at the beginning of the course.

d. A grade of at least E on all modules is required in order to obtain a final grade for the whole course.

The average grade on a subcourse/whole course is set according to below:

On the parts of the subcourse/whole course which is graded by any of the grades A, B, C, D, or E according to the 7-step scale, an average value is calculated according to the following:

The grades are assigned points:

A = 5 points, B = 4 point, C = 3 points, D = 2 points, E = 1 point. The points are added together and the resulting sum is divided by the number of subcourses. If the second decimal is 5 or higher, the first decimal is increased by one.

The resulting number will be the grade on the subcourse/whole course according to the following chart:

A 5 - 4,5

B 4,4 - 3,5

C 3,4 - 2,5

D 2,4 - 1,5

E 1,4 - 1

e. When the course is given, at least two examination opportunities are provided during the relevant term. At least one examination opportunity will be offered during the term or year when the course is not given.

A student who has received a grade of E or higher may not take the test again in order to get a higher grade.

A student who has received the grade of Fx or F twice on a given test and by the same examiner can, on application, be granted a new examiner on the following test, unless there are specific reasons against it. The application should be addressed to the board of the department.

f. The possibility to supplement the grade Fx up to an approved grade is not given on this course.

### Interim

When the course is no longer offered or its contents have been essentially revised, the student has the right to be examined according to this course syllabus once per semester for a three-semester period. However, the restrictions above under "Forms of examination" point e still hold.

### Limitations

This course cannot be included in a Bachelors degree together with other courses attended domestically or abroad for which you have received credit, whose content wholly or partially corresponds with the contents of this course.

**Required reading**

See the course information on the department homepage ([www.su.se/slabafinety](http://www.su.se/slabafinety)) one month before the start of the course at the latest.