

Syllabus

for course at first level

Academic and Scientific Writing in English

Akademiskt och vetenskapligt skrivande på engelska

7.5 Higher Education

Credits

7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	ENASV1
Valid from:	Spring 2023
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Changed:	2022-09-13
Department	Department of English
Main field:	English
Specialisation:	G1N - First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Decision

The syllabus was approved by the Board of the Department of English on 2010-12-17.

The syllabus was revised by the Board of the Department of English on 2022-09-13.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Swedish upper secondary school course English B, or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
ASV1	Academic and scientific writing in English	7.5

Course content

This course aims to improve undergraduate students' academic and scientific writing in English. It has been designed to meet the needs of students across various disciplines, providing them with the necessary skills to interpret and write different types of scientific and academic texts essential for their studies (argumentative essays, problem-solution texts, process descriptions, reports). This course is particularly suitable for those who are starting their university studies.

Learning outcomes

Upon completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:

- Produce coherent and structured texts;
- Present their arguments or points of view in writing;
- Recognize various genres and be aware of their aims;
- Compare different text styles and genres;
- Write texts in different scientific and academic genres, including reports and exam answers;
- Produce a longer text in a genre from their field of study.

Education

Instruction is given in the form of obligatory seminars, and the language of instruction is English. Instruction is either online or campus-based, as specified for each time the course is given. For more detailed information, please refer to the course description. The course description will be available at least one month before the course starts.

Forms of examination

a. The course is examined through an assessment of active participation at seminars, as well as written assignments.

The principles for weighting individual assignments are described in the grading criteria.

The language of examination is English.

For more detailed information, please refer to the course description. The course description will be available at least one month before the course starts.

If a student has a certificate with recommendations for special pedagogical support due to a long-term disability, the examiner has the right to adapt the examination or allow the student an alternative examination.

b. Grades will be set according to a seven-point scale related to the learning objectives of the course:

A = Excellent

B = Very good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Adequate

Fx = Fail, some additional work required

F = Fail, much more work required

c. Students will be informed of the written grading criteria when the course starts. Any announced grading criteria related to the learning objectives are binding.

d. In order to pass the course, students must receive a grade of E or higher (or G where applicable) on all examination assignments.

Assignments not submitted on time will not be graded. Students who miss a deadline will be referred to the next examination opportunity.

e. At least two examination opportunities will be offered for each course. At least one examination opportunity will be offered during a year when the course is not given.

Students who receive the grade Fx or F twice by the same examiner are entitled to have another examiner appointed for the next examination, unless there are special reasons to the contrary. Such requests should be addressed to the department board.

Students who receive the grade E or higher (or G where applicable) may not retake the examination to attain a higher grade.

f. This course does not include any opportunities to complete a supplementary assignment in order to convert the grade Fx into a passing grade.

Interim

When the syllabus is discontinued or revised, students have the right to be examined according to this syllabus once per semester during a transition period of three semesters.

Limitations

This course may not be included in a degree together with a course, taken in Sweden or elsewhere, of identical or partially similar content.

Required reading

For up-to-date information about required reading, please refer to the department website at www.english.su.se. The current reading list will be made available at least two months before the course starts.