Department of Romance Studies and Classics



Syllabus

for course at advanced level

French Literature: Genre Theory and Aesthetics

Fransk litteratur: genreteori och estetik

7.5 Higher Education Credits 7.5 ECTS credits

 Course code:
 FR796Z

 Valid from:
 Autumn 2021

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 2014-03-05

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 2020-11-17

Department Department of Romance Studies and Classics

Main field: Romanska språk

Specialisation: A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision

The decision to establish this course was made on 09/10/2013 by the Faculty Board of the Faculty of Humanities. This syllabus has been approved by the Faculty Board of the Faculty of Humanities on 05/03/2014. Last revised on 17/11/2020.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Knowledge corresponding to French - Bachelor's course, 30 credits or French III, 30 credits and French - Bachelor's course, 15 credits plus knowledge corresponding to English B/English 6.

Course structure

Examination codeName
Higher Education Credits
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Course content

The course aims to provide deeper a knowledge of how one or more genres are designed within a flow (e.g. "the realistic novel") or during a period of time (e.g. "interwar theatre"). A selection of representative texts is analysed on the basis of a genre theoretical perspective and placed in a historical context, with an emphasis on the evolution of ideas and literary aesthetics of the flow/epoch dealt with.

Learning outcomes

To obtain a passing grade in the course, the student must be able to:

- show in-depth knowledge within the subject matter for the course;
- evaluate research results within the framework of the subject area of the course;
- make visible connections between genre design and aesthetic ideas;
- apply method related to genre theory.

Education

For certain terms the course is offered as a course with self-directed reading, whereby the student can meet the examiner at an introductory occasion and maintain e-mail contact. Other terms the course is offered with teaching in the form of a series of seminars. Teaching then takes place at a distance (web-based teaching with classes in real time) or on campus in accordance with what has been indicated for the specific course instance. For information on which form of instruction is applicable for a particular term, refer to the Department's website. The information will be available no later than one month prior to the start of the course.

The course will be given in French.

For more detailed information, refer to the course description.

Forms of examination

a) The examination for the course will consist of 1-2 oral exams and 1-2 written assignments.

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b) Grading takes place according to a seven-point goal-related grading scale:

A = Excellent

B = Very good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Sufficient

Fx = Insufficient (Fail)

F = Fail

- c) The written grading criteria for the course will be communicated to the students at the beginning of the course.
- d) To receive a passing final grade for the course, a minimum grade of E (Sufficient) is required on all examination assignments. The principles for weighing up the individual examination assignments are stated in the grading criteria. For more detailed information, refer to the course description.
- e) A student who has received a grade of E or higher may not take the examination again seeking to obtain a higher grade. A student who has received the grade Fx or F on an examination twice in a row from the same examiner is entitled to have another examiner appointed for the next examination, unless there are special reasons not to allow this. Any request for this should be addressed to the Department Board.

Each time the course is offered, there will be at least two instances where an examination is given during the current term. Plus in a term in which the course is not given, there will be at least one instance where an examination is offered.

f) The submission of a supplementary assignment to the examination may be permitted if the student is close to fulfilling the criteria for a passing grade. The burden is on the student to contact the examiner for such a supplementary assignment. The examiner must be contacted within 6 months from the date the grade is given. The supplementary assignment must be submitted/completed at the latest by the date as determined by the examiner.

Interim

When a course syllabus is discontinued (the course is no longer offered or its contents have been essentially revised), the student is entitled to be examined in accordance with this syllabus once per term during a winding-up period of three terms.

Limitations

The course may not be credited towards the degree requirements together with another completed and approved course taken in Sweden or abroad, the contents of which fully or partially corresponds to the contents of this course, e.g. within the framework for French III, 30 higher education credits, French III, 15 higher education credits, French IV, 30 higher education credits or French IV, 15 higher education credits.

Required reading

See the current course descriptions on the Department's website www.su.se/romklass within one month before the start of the course.