



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
English

Syllabus

Academic English

Course Code:	ENGA33
Course Title:	Academic English <i>Akademisk engelska</i>
Credits:	7.5
Degree Level:	Undergraduate level
Progressive Specialisation:	First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements (G1N)

Major Field of Study:
ENA (English)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2018-08-21, and is valid from the Spring semester 2019 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

General admission requirements plus upper secondary school level English 6 or B (field-specific eligibility A2 or 2) or equivalent.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

1. use nuanced and varied Standard English in speech and writing,
2. demonstrate awareness of formal and informal differences in language use,
3. produce logically structured and stylistically effective oral and written presentations in different genres,
4. use sources and adhere to formal conventions in academic writing, and
5. demonstrate adequate proficiency in English in terms of vocabulary, idiomaticity and pronunciation.

Content

The course focuses on students' academic English skills. Written and oral proficiency is developed through assignments designed to help students improve and gain confidence in their English production. Topics include English pronunciation, choice of vocabulary and expression, and syntactic structures, as well as styles used when producing different text types. The course includes general writing skills but has a special emphasis on academic writing.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is individual and based on oral assignments and written exams.

Grades

One of the grades Distinction (VG), Pass (G), or Fail (U) is awarded in the examination of the course.

Quality Assurance

Follow-up relating to learning conditions and goal-fulfilment takes place both during and upon completion of the course in order to ensure continuous improvement. Course evaluation is partly based on student views and experiences obtained in accordance with current regulations and partly on other data and documentation. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of any measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional information

The local regulations for studies at the Bachelor and Master levels at Karlstad University stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.