



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
English

Syllabus

English language proficiency

Course Code:

ENGA36

Course Title:

English language proficiency
Engelsk språkfärdighet

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 2025-09-11, and is valid from the Spring semester 2026 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

General admission requirements plus upper secondary level English 6 or English level 2, or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

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

1. use nuanced and varied Standard English in speech and writing,
2. give an account of basic concepts and principles of English phonology, and apply those principles in practice in spoken English,
3. describe and explain common linguistic structures, traits, and variations in spoken English, with a special focus on issues that might cause difficulties for learners,
4. produce logically structured and stylistically effective texts in English, and
5. use sources and adhere to formal conventions for writing in English.

Content

This module focuses on students' knowledge of and proficiency in spoken and written Standard English. Theoretical content is alternated with practical exercises which help students improve their pronunciation and written production in English. The course includes general writing skills but has a special emphasis on formal writing. Writing skills are developed through process writing in small groups.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on written exams.

Learning outcomes 1 and 2 are also assessed based on active participation in seminars and an individual oral pronunciation test.

If students have a decision from Karlstad University entitling them to Targeted Study Support due to a documented disability, the examiner has the right to give such students an adapted examination or to examine them in a different manner.

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.