



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
English

## Syllabus

### Classic British children's literature

<b>Course Code:</b>	ENGABL
<b>Course Title:</b>	Classic British children's literature <i>Klassisk brittisk barnlitteratur</i>
<b>Credits:</b>	7.5
<b>Degree Level:</b>	Undergraduate level
<b>Progressive Specialisation:</b>	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 2017-08-22, and is valid from the Spring semester 2018 at Karlstad University.

#### Prerequisites

General admission requirements and upper secondary level English B/6.

#### Learning Outcomes

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

1. give an account of the main features of the historical development 1860-1970 of British children's literature and place such texts in their cultural and intellectual context,
2. analyse and interpret British books for children with the help of basic literary analysis concepts, and
3. produce structured and coherent literary analyses in Standard English.

#### Content

The course deals with a representative selection of British literature for children from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. A historical perspective on contemporary children's literature in the fantasy and more realistic genres is provided. The course includes basic literary analysis in practice and some introduction to theories and criticism in the research field of children's literature.

#### Reading List

See separate document.

#### Examination

Assessment is based on an oral presentation and a written take-home exam.

#### 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.