



Faculty of Arts and Education
Comparative Literature

Syllabus

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Arts and Education on 14 February 2012, and is valid from the Autumn semester of 2012 at Karlstad University.

Course Code: LVAD05

Reader Response Theory. Readers Interactions with Texts, 7.5 ECTS Credits
(**Responsteorier. Läsaress interaktion med texter, 7.5 Swedish credit points**)

Degree Level: Master

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

Language of Instruction

Swedish

Prerequisites

Comparative Literature 1-90 ECTS cr

Major Field of Study

LIA (Comparative Literature)

Learning Outcomes

The aim of the course is that students enhance their knowledge of response theory, the text concept and reader-text interaction.

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

- give an account of different strands of response theory and of the debates on different reading modes,
- demonstrate ability to identify reception theoretical problems and issues and independently discuss them,
- demonstrate skills in advanced literary analysis,
- give a detailed account of and critically analyse dominant theories and theoretical movements in reception theory.

Content and Form of Instruction

The course deals with the emergence of response theory, different strands in literary reception theory and the critique of this theory.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is individual, oral or in writing.

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 assessment is based on student views and experiences as reported in written course evaluations and/or group discussions. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of the measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional Information

Students who enrolled before 1 July 2007 will complete their studies in accordance with the requirements of the earlier admission. Upon completion students may request degree and course certificates to be issued under the current ordinance if they meet its requirements.

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

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